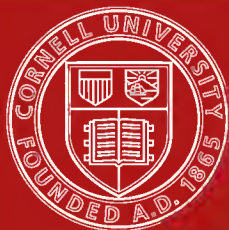


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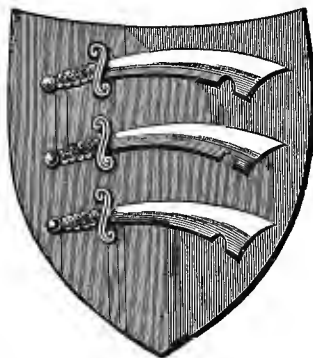
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THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX possesses a Collection of OLD RECORDS relating to its civil and criminal history, which, commencing in the year 1549 (the third of Edward VI.), and continuing to the present time, covers with more or less completeness a period of 335 years.

Only in Essex and the North Riding of Yorkshire do the records date from so early a period as in Middlesex ; while, as the Metropolitan County, Middlesex may fairly claim for her Muniments that they surpass in interest, as they probably do in extent, and certainly (with the two above-named exceptions) in range of time, those of any other County in England.

It is now universally recognized that no real history of any district can be written until its Original Records have been thoroughly ransacked for the varied and minute information they contain ;—information which, trifling and indifferent as much of it may at first sight appear, becomes often extremely valuable from the light which it throws upon events of far-reaching importance ; and there can be no doubt that had the Middlesex Records been accessible to the historical student they would long ago have received the attention they deserve, and much matter would have been brought to light, interesting and valuable not only to the Local but also to the National Historian.

Until recently, however, such has never been the case. Here, as elsewhere, the value of the Memorials of the Past has been unrecognized, and the documents have been left in a condition which not only rendered examination impossible, but seriously endangered their existence. Within the last year or two, however, the old County Records (including in that category all up to the close of the reign of George III.) have been placed in a newly-constructed Muniment Room at the Sessions House, Clerkenwell, and have been arranged, labelled, and indexed by order of the Court of Quarter Sessions. This important work has been carried out, at a cost to the County of more than a thousand pounds, under the advice and supervision of

MR. CORDY JEAFFRESON, who was in the first instance deputed by the Historical MSS. Commissioners to examine and report upon the Records, and they are now for the first time made practically available for investigation and use.

The MIDDLESEX COUNTY RECORD SOCIETY has been formed for the purpose of taking advantage of this improved condition of things by calendaring the whole, and printing such a selection from them as shall be thought most interesting and valuable.

It would be impossible within the limits of a brief Prospectus to give a complete list of even the various classes of records, forming as they do a collection of upwards of *ten thousand volumes*, and nearly *five thousand rolls or bundles*, each of which contains numerous separate documents. They may however be briefly stated to include :—

1.—A SERIES OF SESSIONS ROLLS almost complete, except in some of the earlier years, from Edward VI. to 1820, of which Mr. JEAFFRESON remarks :—

“Something more should, however, be said of the contents of the Sessions Rolls, which comprise considerably more than half a million separate writings, in recognisances, indictments, and inquisitions *post mortem*. It having been the usage of the Clerks of the Middlesex Justices, from the time of Elizabeth, to put at the foot of each recognisance, a brief note of the matter to which the document referred, and of the purpose for which the obligation was created, the recognisances of the Middlesex Sessional Archives afford a larger measure of entertainment and historical information than one would expect to gather from writings of their class. A considerable minority of these footnotes yield some interesting particulars of the social manners, domestic interests, political ferments, and religious agitations of Londoners in olden time. In the fewest possible words they tell the story of a playhouse riot, a destructive fire, the arrest of a Jesuit, a daring burglary at Whitehall, the great plate robbery of the year, or an outbreak of the London apprentices. They exhibit by turns the humour of the Court and the humour of the tavern, the pomp of a noble's palace and the cheer of a modest home, the tricks of the professional cardsharp and the cunning ways of tradesmen. And these notes are the more deserving of attention because they often refer to matters that, either from being dealt with summarily, or from being dropped for want of sufficient evidence, do not re-appear with greater preciseness and amplitude in the indictments of the subsequent bundles. From some of the memoranda curious particulars may be gleaned respecting robberies committed in the dwellings of persons stricken by the Great Plague, and the dread of incendiaries and makers of explosive compounds that seized the Londoners immediately after the Great Fire of Charles the Second's time ; respecting the temper and excesses of the Sacheverell rioters ; and respecting the demeanour of the London Jacobites, *temp.* Anne and George I. Some of the indictments are especially worthy of examination. A careful manipulator of these sources of evidence could extort a large addition to the materials for England's religious history, from the records of the presentments of Catholic recusants in the earlier decades, and the prosecutions of the Protestant Dissenters in the later decades of the seventeenth century. From the indictments for seditious libels he would also recover to English literature the heart and life of many a curious tract that perished in the Stuart period, in flames kindled by the common hangman.”

2.—SESSIONS BOOKS, commencing 1639, containing records of sentences passed upon prisoners; orders relating to the various parishes of the County; addresses to the Sovereigns, &c., &c., forming a series of 1775 volumes from which much information of value can be gleaned.

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The whole forming (in Mr. Jeaffreson's words) "A body of Muniments which would enable a zealous and competent antiquary to produce an adequate history of the County, from Elizabeth to Victoria."

The completeness and rapidity with which the object for which the MIDDLESEX COUNTY RECORD SOCIETY is formed can be carried out must of course depend on the number of subscribers and the amount of their contributions.

It is hoped that a sufficient number of Subscribers will be secured to allow the production of one or two volumes yearly, and that the whole may be finished in five years. Each volume will be complete in itself, as far as possible, and will be fully indexed.

The rate of an ordinary Single Subscription is fixed at One Guinea annually, payable on the 1st January in each year, and entitling the subscriber to the publications of that year ; but there is every encouragement to hope that in so enlightened and wealthy a constituency there will be found many (some have already come forward) who will be willing to give donations of larger amount in order that the work may be as thorough as possible.

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## EDITOR'S PREFACE.

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I. *Measures taken for the re-arrangement of the Middlesex Manuscripts, from October, 1882, to July, 1884.*—On the 26th of October, 1882, the Court of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Middlesex, in Quarter Session assembled, appointed a Special Committee to "consider and report to the Court whether any and, if any, what better accommodation can be provided for the old Records of the County; and as to the best means of sorting them with a view to the preparation of an Index or Calendar." This Committee consisted of the following magistrates of the county,—Captain Morley (the Chairman of the Court), Sir W. H. Wyatt, Mr. B. H. Adams, Lord Alfred Churchill, the Hon. J. F. T. W. Fiennes, Mr. J. F. France, the Hon. H. L. Noel, Mr. J. F. Pownall, the late Mr. B. Sharpe, and Mr. Basil Woodd Smith.

By this Committee it was decided that the county-records lying at Westminster should be moved to Clerkenwell, so that all the ancient muniments of Middlesex should be brought into a single collection, lying at what may be termed the sessional head-quarters of the metropolitan county. Through the action of the same Committee, the multifarious writings, thus put together, have been relieved of dirt and mould, reduced as nearly as possible to chronological order, sorted, labelled, and exactly catalogued. They have been recovered from the confusion into which the older records seem to have been falling so far back as the time of William the Third, when Mr. Harcourt, the Clerk of the Peace for the County, removed them "to his country house in Holborne," and there kept them for a considerable period, in curious disregard of peremptory orders by the Court for their restoration to the Sessions House.

The task of recovering the two collections from confusion, and making them into one well-digested, accurately labelled, and exactly catalogued body of sessional muniments was executed by Mr. A. T. Watson, one of the very few masters of his particular craft in the whole country, to whom so great and important a piece of work could have been safely entrusted. That the Middlesex magistrates put no exces-

sive confidence in Mr. Watson's ability to do what they required to be done appears from the present state of the manuscripts. Whilst this perfect craftsman was at work on the records, the county-architect made the new Muniment Room at the Clerkenwell Sessions House, which should be visited by persons who wish to know what such a chamber ought to be, in respect to dimensions, light, temperature, ventilation and furniture.

When it is said that the Middlesex Manuscripts, now resting in this room under all the conditions most favourable for their safety and for the maintenance of their present orderliness, comprise 10,118 volumes, and 4,916 rolls or bundles (containing, at a rough but moderate computation, 500,000 documents), it is needless to add that all this work was not accomplished in a few weeks. It took all the longer, because Mr. Watson could work on the records only in time before or after his daily hours of labour at the Record Office. The work, however, went on so regularly and steadily under the Committee's sympathetic and vigilant surveillance, that on the 24th July, 1884, the Honorary Secretary of the Committee could inform his Fellow-Justices of the Peace, in Quarter Session assembled, that the archives of the county were in perfect order.

II. *Middlesex County Record Society*.—This good work having been accomplished, it appeared to the magistrates who had been members of the late Records Committee, and to several of the Justices of the Peace, who without being members of the committee had watched its labours with interest and approval, that steps should be taken to exhibit in a series of printed calendars the purport and chief particulars of the more noteworthy manuscripts of the collection, on whose restoration and re-arrangement so much labour had been expended. The immediate result of this sentiment was the institution of the Middlesex County Record Society, whose aims and general scheme of action are set forth in a prospectus at the opening of this volume. Till the records shall have been examined more thoroughly in all their periods, it will be impossible to form a precise estimate of the time and the number of volumes requisite for the perfect editorial exhibition of all their matters of historic value. But a general survey of the entire body of MSS., and the particular examination of the writings of certain periods, justify an opinion that the whole work may be accomplished in ten such volumes as the present, and within five years from the publication of the first of the calendars.

On this general view of the magnitude and requirements of the undertaking, the council of the Middlesex Record Society have determined to publish this book and another volume of the same size in the course of the present year, and, in case the subscriptions of the public

should be adequate to the charges of the enterprise, to produce two such calendars yearly, till the purpose of the Society shall be achieved. The two publications, edited for the Society by the present writer, will deal with the records of the earliest of the three most important periods of the Middlesex MSS., viz., with the writings from the third year of Edward the Sixth to the end of James the First's reign. After dealing with the records of this period, the Society may perhaps edit the notable MSS. of the Restoration period, which are rich in evidences touching the Great Plague, the Great Fire of London, the political prosecutions of Charles the Second's reign, and the proceedings against Nonconformists. It may then appear well to the Society to deal with the books, sessions-files and multifarious rolls of the Jacobite period. The manipulation of the less interesting, though valuable, writings of the interlying periods might be deferred till the evidences of highest moment have received editorial attention.

III. *Chief Purpose of this Introduction.*—In dealing with what remains of the sessions-rolls *alias* rolled sessions-files, that grew upon the hands of successive Custodes Rotulorum for Middlesex in the later half of our Tudor period, I have been no less thoughtful for the needs of students, who may search this volume for matters likely to aid them in undertakings of literary research, than for the entertainment of the far larger number of persons who will, it is hoped, be moved by mere desire for diversion to glance at the pages of a calendar, that has not been produced without labour and anxious vigilance. But this preface will be written less for the advantage of the special scholars who are familiar with old official writings, than for the information of readers who have only the slightest acquaintance, or no acquaintance whatever, with the kind of literary material on which I have been operating. Its chief purpose will be accomplished, should it enable "the general reader" to apprehend the shape, character, texture, diction and aspect of the records, which I have tried to manipulate into entertaining literature, and also to apprehend the fashion and construction of the packets, that afford us so considerable a body of evidence respecting the religious life and lighter humours, as well as the criminal restlessness and darker passions of Shakespeare's London.

IV. *Purpose of the present Volume.*—From the third year of Edward the Sixth, in which the Middlesex MSS. begin, to the fifth year of James the First, in which year the oldest book of the collection was begun, the Clerkenwell evidences of the proceedings of the Justices of the Peace for the metropolitan county are preserved in an imperfect series of more or less fragmentary sessions-files; and it is the purpose of the present volume to exhibit the purport and principal particulars of all the noteworthy documents contained in these files, from their com-



mencement in Edward's time to the close of Elizabeth's reign. Of these files, twenty-six came into existence in Edward's reign, sixty-eight during the regnal period of Mary Tudor, and three hundred and eighteen whilst Elizabeth wore the crown; and the several documents of these four hundred and twelve files may, in the present fragmentary state of the packets, be computed as numbering thirty thousand. With the exception of the Licensed Victuallers' Recognizances Roll *temp.* Ed. VI., the rolls dealt with in this work are files, that from being rolled into cylindrical packets have come to be designated respectively,—

- (a.) Gaol Delivery Rolls,
- (b.) General Session of Peace Rolls,
- (c.) Special Session of Oyer and Terminer Rolls,
- (d.) Inquest Rolls, or
- (e.) Composite Rolls.

V. *Gaol Delivery Rolls*.—Consisting chiefly of indictments and recognizances, but comprising documents of divers other kinds, such as precepts of *Venire Facias*, writs of *Capias*, lists of jurors, jury-panels, and sometimes writs of *Supersedeas* and memoranda of Proclamations, each of the uninjured gaol-delivery rolls, put together after Elizabeth's fourth regnal year, may be described as the perfect collection of the documents that were used at, or furthered the business of, the particular session of gaol-delivery named upon its wrapper. But this description would be inappropriate to the earlier gaol-delivery files, which are by no means so bulky as the gaol-delivery files of the subsequent period, and contain only a small proportion of the indictments on which culprits were arraigned at the successive assizes, to which the packets respectively pertain. For the present it is enough to observe that the comparative slighness of these earliest gaol-delivery files was less due to the lightness of their calendars, than to what may be called the clerical arrangement of the indictments. How so few of the indictments appear in the earlier gaol-delivery files, to which they may be said to pertain, is a question that will be answered by what will be said about inquest-rolls in a later section of this preface.

VI. *General Session of Peace Rolls*.—Like the Justices of the Peace of other counties, the Justices of the Peace for Middlesex had for some years been required by 2 Henry V. c. 4, in accordance with previous ordinances, to "make their sessions four times by the year; that is to say, in the first week after the Feast of St. Michael, and in the first week after the Epiphany, and in the first week after the close of Easter, and in the first week after the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr, and more often if need be," when reasons appeared why they should be exempted from this obligation, and the

people of the county be relieved of the inconvenience and bootless trouble of attending so many General Sessions of the Peace in each year. It was observed that, owing to the frequency of the Newgate gaol-deliveries, the metropolitan county was in less need than any other shire of General Sessions of the Peace, for the repression of crime and the correction of evil-doers. Indeed, the business of a General Session of the Peace for the county was sometimes so slight, as to make it obvious the court was held only for the avoidance of the penalty for neglecting to hold it. At the same time, as all the King's high courts sate continually in Middlesex during the four terms of the year, and the commons of the county were bound to attend upon these courts as jurors, it was manifest that the freeholders of the shire were, in respect to a particular service, far more heavily burdened than the freeholders of other counties. Under these circumstances, for the removal of a cause of reasonable complaint, it was ordained by Statute 14 Henry VI. c. 4, "That the Justices of the Peace which now are, and all other hereafter for the time being, in the said County of Middlesex, shall be clearly discharged of the said penalty, by authority of the said Parliament from henceforth, the Court of the King's Bench being set in the said County of Middlesex. Provided always, that the said Justices of the Peace of the said County of Middlesex, for the time being, keep, observe, and execute the Court of the Sessions of the Peace, two times in the year at the least, and more often if need be, for any riot, or forcible entry made within the same County of Middlesex, and that upon the pain and forfeiture of such sums as be for that ordained by any law made before this time; to the end and intent that the said Commons and Inhabitants of the said County of Middlesex be not inforced nor compelled to appear before the Justices of the Peace of the same County for the time being, but at such time which shall seem by the discretions of the same Justices of Peace necessary and needful."

Thus exonerated from holding what are ordinarily called Quarter Sessions, provided they held a court of General Session of the Peace at least twice in the year, and such other additional sessions of the Peace as the state and affairs of the county should seem to require, the Middlesex magistrates availed themselves of the peculiar exemption, so that for a long series of years their county had no more than two courts of General Session of the Peace in each year. The General Session of Peace rolls, pertaining to sessions held in the period covered by the ensuing calendar, are numerous; it seldom occurs that a year's bundle of Elizabethan files fails to afford at least a fragment of a General Session of Peace file; in the files pertaining to the majority of Elizabeth's years, two fairly perfect files of this particular kind are

preserved in each yearly bundle ; but no yearly bundle contains more than two General Session of Peace files. It is also noteworthy that all the rolls of this particular kind relate to sessions that were held either in the first week after Michaelmas or in the first week after the close of Easter. Throughout the imperfect series of sessional files one comes on no single lot of documents relating to a general session held in the first week after Epiphany or in the first week after the day of St. Thomas the Martyr. From this absence of Epiphany Session files and Midsummer Session files, and this presence of Michaelmas Session and Easter Session files, one may infer without misgiving that, throughout the period covered by this book, only two General Sessions of the Peace were held in Middlesex in the course of the year, and that those two were held just after Michaelmas and Easter. And it may be assumed, though with less confidence, that this practice of the Middlesex magistrates from the middle of the sixteenth to the beginning of the seventeenth century (and to a much later time) was the mere continuation of a practice that was begun in the fourteenth year of Henry the Sixth, and persisted in from that time.

Were it not that the General Session of the Peace rolls comprise the sheriff's lists of the Bailiffs and Sub-bailiffs and the High and Petty Constables of the shire (documents never found in other files), whilst the Gaol-Delivery rolls comprise the Coroners' Inquests, Writs of Supersedeas and separate Memoranda of Proclamations &c. (documents never found in the Sessions of Peace rolls), the general account given on a previous page of the usual contents of the Gaol-Delivery rolls would serve as a general description of the rolls to which this section of the present introduction relates. Like a Gaol-Delivery file, a General Session of Peace file consists chiefly of writs of "Venire Facias," for the production of jurors, writs of "Capias," lists of jurors, jury-panels, recognizances and indictments. Of course the indictments preserved in the General Session of Peace files are, for the most part, indictments for petty offences, whilst the indictments preserved in the Gaol-Delivery files are, for the most part, indictments for felonies. The General Session of Peace rolls, however, sometimes comprise indictments for the most heinous crimes. Not that such grave matters were determined by mere Justices of the Peace, who after taking such indictments and submitting them to the inquisition of the grand jury, took no further action in respect to them. On being found "true" at General Sessions of the Peace, these graver indictments were in due course transmitted by the Clerk of the Peace to the Justice Hall in the Old Bailey, where they were used for the arraignment of culprits, without being again submitted to the preliminary inquest. The same was the case with indictments taken at those Sessions of

Peace that were known to Elizabethan Londoners as "Sessions of Enquiry."

VII. *Special Session of Oyer and Terminer Rolls*.—Consisting sometimes of a single indictment against a single individual, with a writ of "Venire Facias," a list of jurors and a jury-panel, and rarely containing more than three or four indictments against three or four persons, these particular sessional files, even when they are perfect, may be recognized at a glance by the slightness which distinguishes them from the other rolls. That so few of these rolls are found in any condition, and that so considerable a proportion of those that have come down to us are mere remnants, is no doubt chiefly referable to their original slightness, which rendered them less able than the larger packets to endure the violence, and resist the water, that wrought so much injury to the outer membranes of the stoutest and most compact of the Middlesex Sessions' rolls. That the havoc wrought amongst these especially interesting packets by moisture and hard usage is to be regretted, will be admitted by the reader who examines (*vide* pp. 111–113) the records of the arraignments of the Catholic priest Thomas Metham, and the Catholic gentlewomen, Margery Anderson, Elizabeth Barram, and Lady Brome, preserved in a substantial though imperfect file, whose contents may well cause the student to ask whether he has lost many no less important writings through the decay of the Oyer and Terminer rolls, of which nothing remains but an empty wrapper or a list of jurors.

VIII. *Inquest Rolls*.—To apprehend the nature and historic interest of these rolls, readers should liberate themselves from the general notion (which is entertained at the present time even by criminal lawyers) that the practice of submitting all the indictments dealt with at acriminal assize to the grand jury after the opening of the commission of the same assize was no less universal in former, than it is at the present, time. Three centuries since it was, at least in Middlesex, more usual for the indictments on which culprits were arraigned at a criminal assize to be submitted to the preliminary inquisition and found true, before than after the opening of the assize. And this usage, which prevailed in ancient time throughout the kingdom, was maintained in Middlesex to a time so recent, that it would be no bold figure to speak of it as yesterday.

During the particular period covered by this volume, whilst holding only two General Sessions of the Peace in the course of each year, the Middlesex magistrates, in the exercise of their power to hold as many sessions as should appear needful, used to hold in every year several sessions for the preliminary examination of the evidence against persons charged with felony, at which sessions they not only took general examinations of the prisoners, before admitting them to bailment or

mainprise, in accordance with Statute 1 & 2 Philip and Mary, c. 13, and in accordance with practice anterior to that statute, but also submitted formal bills of indictment against the same persons to the inquisition of the grand jury, before exercising their discretion in respect to the bailment or mainprise of the offenders. Whether any other business was transacted at these sessions does not appear from the files; but the evidence of the files is conclusive that the chief, if not the only, purpose of these sessions (styled "Sessiones ad inquirendum" in many of the recognizances, and "Sessions of Inquiry" in the English foot-notes to or endorsements of the same recognizances) was to take inquest of indictments, *viz.*, to submit indictments to the Grand Jury, in order that they should be found True Bills or Not True Bills.

Held now and then at Westminster, and more often at the Manor of Finsbury, these Sessions of Inquiry were held most often at the Castle in St. John's Street,—the locality that has remained from Tudor time the head-quarters of Middlesex for sessional business, though in the sixteenth century, and long afterwards, it was the exception for a General Session of the Peace for Middlesex to be held anywhere but in Westminster. Sometimes these sessions for taking indictments were held of St. John's Street, whilst Judges of Assize were making a gaol-delivery at Newgate, in which case the bills found true at them were transmitted promptly to the Justice Hall in the Old Bailey. But sometimes they were held before the opening of the commission at the Justice Hall, in which case the inquisitions taken by the Grand Jury before the Justices of the Peace may be said to have been taken in anticipation *of*, and preparation *for*, the next session of gaol-delivery. It is noteworthy that, although it must have been familiar to all Elizabethan Londoners, and commonly used by them in their ordinary talk, the term "Session of Inquiry" seems to have fallen not only out of use but out of memory, before Jacob compiled his dictionary of legal terms in the eighteenth century. Had he known aught of the once familiar designation, he would not have failed to notice it.

The bills of indictment, thus taken and found true at one of these sessions, were put on a file, together with the precept of "Venire Facias," the jury-panel, and sometimes a few recognizances, and made into a roll. Sometimes the last thing to be put on the file was a parchment, setting forth the date and place of the Inquisition, together with the names of the Justices *before* whom, and the names of the jurors *on* whose oath, the inquisition was taken; the names of the jurors being followed, at the foot of the certificate, by these words: "*Qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod omnes bille huic Inquisitioni annexate sunt vere*"=Who say that all the bills annexed to this Inquisition are true. Each roll was described on its wrapper with corresponding



words, beginning with "Inquisicio capta apud . . . ." The indictments for felony, taken and found at General Sessions of the Peace, were in the same manner filed and made up into a roll, before their transmission from Westminster to the Old Bailey.

Throughout Mary's reign, and also in the opening years of Elizabeth's reign, these Inquest Rolls were preserved in the form given to them, on their transmission to the Old Bailey. Instead of being refiled with the other documents of the gaol-delivery to which they pertained, the documents of each of these rolls were put away in the separate rolled packet into which they had been made at Session of Inquiry. So long as this was the Clerk of the Peace's practice, the Gaol-Delivery Rolls were necessarily light and slender things. But after Elizabeth's fourth year the searcher of the Middlesex Manuscripts comes upon no more of these Inquest Rolls; not because Sessions of Inquiry were discontinued, but because the documents of the Inquest Rolls were henceforth transferred to the file of their proper gaol-delivery roll;—a change of clerical practice that at once gave the gaol-delivery rolls a more impressive and weighty appearance.

In taking inquest of indictments for felony at Sessions of the Peace, with the purpose of transmitting them to the Assizes, the Justices of the Peace for Middlesex in the sixteenth century only took the course of Justices in other counties. But the case of *Rex v. Wetherell* (*vide* "Russell and Ryan's Crown Cases," p. 381) indicates how completely this whilom familiar practice had in 1819 passed out of general usage, though it was still maintained in Middlesex. Two bills of indictment had been found against John Wetherell, at the North Riding of Yorkshire Quarter Sessions of the Peace, for escaping, and at the same time aiding a fellow-prisoner to escape, from the Northallerton house of correction; and John Wetherell had been transmitted to York to be tried at the Lent Assizes, 1819, for these two offences, on the two several indictments so found at quarter-sessions; when so able a Judge as Mr. Baron Wood refused to try the prisoner on the following grounds:—(1) That he had never tried an indictment found at quarter-sessions, unless it had been removed by certiorari in the King's Bench, and sent thence to Assizes for trial; (2) That serious inconvenience and labour would be thrown on the Commission of Gaol Delivery, if Justices of the Peace could at their discretion thus transmit prisoners to the Assizes for trial, when the same Justices were themselves competent to deal with them; and (3) That there ought to have been a new indictment preferred against John Wetherell before the grand jury of the county and found by them. In the ensuing Easter Term the Judges were of opinion that the prisoner should have been tried at the Assizes upon the indictments found at the sessions.

It was strange that so good a lawyer made so considerable a mistake. It would have been far more strange had any other opinion been given by the Judges, sitting in Middlesex, where it was the practice of Justices of the Peace to take indictments for felony at sessions, and on their being returned into court by the Grand Jury to transmit them to the Old Bailey, up to the time of the creation of the Central Criminal Court,—a Court established under a statute (4, 5 William IV. c. 36), by whose 19th section the power of finding true bills and transmitting them to the Old Bailey was preserved to the Middlesex Quarter Sessions. Mr. Wright, the present Keeper of the Clerkenwell Sessions House—a gentleman enjoying a clear memory in his green and vigorous old age—remembers, how in his boyhood, soon after his admission to his first appointment in the Sessions House, he was sent from Clerkenwell to the Old Bailey court-house with a file of indictments that had just before been found “true bills” by the grand jurors sitting at Clerkenwell.\*

IX. *Composite Rolls*.—The peculiarity of the rolled files, to which I venture to assign this designation, is that, whilst holding the documents of a single gaol-delivery, each of them preserves also the documents of a session of the peace. But, though they are Sessions of Peace Rolls no less than Gaol-Delivery Rolls, they were rated and described as gaol-delivery rolls by the successive clerks who filed their various documents and endorsed their wrappers. There is indeed an exception to this clerical practice. The rolls of Elizabeth's first year comprise a file, that is particularly declared to be at the same time a General Session of Peace roll and a Gaol-Delivery roll by its endorsement, “Generalis Sessio Pacis . . . Sancti Michaelis, &c., &c. . . . *unacum* . . . . Deliberacione Gaole de Newgate . . . . 7 Oct. 1 Eliz.” But all the subsequent rolls of this composite sort are declared to be Gaol-Delivery packets, no reference being made in the large lettering of their endorsements to the session-of-peace documents; and in my frequent references in the ensuing calendar to these composite packets, I have thought it right to adhere to the terms of their descriptive endorsements. When the document to which it relates is not “a broken file,” each entry of the calendar ends with an indicative reference to the particular rolled packet in which the document may be found; and a chief, though not the only, pur-

\* Speaking of the Middlesex and Westminster Sessions, Ryland (*vide* “Crown Circuit Companion”), says: “At both the last-mentioned sessions, indictments are preferred for felony, which, when returned by the grand jury into Court, are, by the respective Clerks of the Peace, transmitted to the Sessions House in the Old Bailey, where the Sessions of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery for the City of London and County of Middlesex are also holden eight times in the year in the same weeks in which the Sessions are held at the new Sessions House.”

pose of each indicatory reference being to guide searchers to a particular collection of writings, I could not do otherwise than make it correspond with the descriptive endorsement of the file thus referred to. Indicatory reference (by the capital letters G. D. R. and a date) is therefore now and then made in the ensuing calendar to a roll, that besides being a gaol-delivery roll is a session-of-peace roll. Readers therefore must not assume hastily that every indictment, thus described as lying in a Gaol-Delivery Roll, came under the cognizance of the commissioners of a Newgate gaol-delivery, as it may have been determined by Justices of the Peace, instead of having been transmitted to the Old Bailey. In respect to the indictments for felony, and more serious misdemeanours, lying in these composite rolls, it may of course be assumed that they were Old Bailey matters. On the other hand, though the Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery sometimes dealt with charges of petty larceny, common vagrancy, and trivial misdemeanours, the majority of the true bills for ordinary trespasses and other insignificant offences, lying in these several collections of session-of-peace *unacum* gaol-delivery records, may be regarded as having been dealt with from first to last by the Justices of the Peace, who were manifestly competent to proceed to judgment in respect to them.

IX. *The Construction of these Sessions-Rolls.*—All these various kinds of sessions-rolls are constructed in the same way ; and, without being devoid of concern for the dignity of the archives committed to my editorial authority, I must admit, that it is a way which of itself justifies some of our best masters and connoisseurs of old manuscripts in speaking of sessions-rolls as sessions-bundles, and even in maintaining that “rolls” should not be used for the description of a number of documentary collections, which are wanting in prime characteristics of the particular sort of records, to which alone the word is strictly applicable. It must be conceded that the precisians are right on this point, and that persons who speak of mere rolled files as rolls are barely justified by custom in their free use of an ancient term.

Strictly speaking, the collection of separate documents, thus called a session's-roll, is nothing more than a file of miscellaneous writings done up roll-wise, *i.e.*, done up in a fashion that gives it the outward show of a roll. A roll proper may consist of a single piece of vellum, parchment, paper, or other material, or it may be made of any number of pieces ; but when it is made of more than one piece, it is necessary that the pieces should be made into one uniform volume. The membranes, strips or pieces may be put together like the leaves of a book, and secured with stitches or a single ligament, in which case the roll, on being untied, and laid upon a table, has the look of an oblong

book. Or they may be stitched together "tandem-fashion," so that, on being opened and displayed at full length, the roll resembles a broad riband. The documents making up a Session's-roll are never stitched together, but are held in contiguity by a file of vellum, parchment, or hempen string, that is usually passed through the upper corner of the left-hand margin of each of the documents, so that no injury is done to the written words either by the file or by the filing needle. Sometimes, however, the file passes through the body of the documents, alike to the detriment of the writings and to the inconvenience of those who have occasion to search them. Rolls that set forth uniformly the acts and proceedings of Sessions of Peace or Gaol-Delivery are records to which "roll" is strictly applicable; but no such rolls appear amongst the Clerkenwell MSS. of the sixteenth century.

The documents, thus put together into the various kinds of rolled session-files, comprise recognizances, indictments (in Middlesex, only those of the indictments that were found to be "true bills"), writs of "Venire Facias" and "Capias," now and then writs of "Supersedeas," lists of good and loyal men returned to serve on juries, jury-panels, coroners' inquisitions-post-mortem for cause of death, sheriffs' returns of coroners, bailiffs, constables and other officers, lists and calendars of prisoners, memoranda and incidental writings. These documents necessarily differ in magnitude; but two-thirds of the documents of an ordinary Elizabethan session-roll are narrow parchments, measuring some twelve or fourteen inches from left to right by from one to three or four inches from the upper to the bottom edge of the material. Some of the parchments are of course larger. For instance, the sheriffs' lists of officers measure some two or three feet by two or three inches; the lengthier indictments are often as deep as they are broad; whilst the coroners' lengthier inquisitions and the calendars of prisoners are of still larger dimensions.

In filing the documents of a Newgate gaol-delivery file, the Elizabethan Clerk of the Peace, either with his own hands or with the hands of one of his clerical servants, did his work in the following manner. The first document to be filed was the stoutest and deepest of the parchments. Usually it was the calendar of the recently delivered prisoners. But sometimes choice was made of a more than usually expansive inquisition, that would prove a better wrapper than the calendar. Before filing this chosen parchment, the clerk put upon it a carefully written endorsement, for the sufficient outward description of the assemblage of writings, of which it would be the envelope,—an endorsement opening with "Midd': Deliberacio Gaole de Newgate," and closing with the date of the day, month, and regnal year of the particular gaol-delivery. The next things to be filed were the coroners' inquisitions

for cause of death, some of which had been used in draughting indictments for murder and manslaughter, whilst others of them had sometimes been themselves submitted to the grand jury, endorsed "*Billa Vera*," and in other ways used as sufficient bills of indictment. The other indictments were then put on the file. The next matters to be filed were the writs of "*Capias*" and "*Venire Facias*," lists of persons returned to serve on juries, and the jury-panels. Finally taking in hand the only class of writings still remaining to be put with the aforementioned documents, the clerk filed a considerable body of recognizances, *i.e.*, the instruments by which individuals had been bound, under pecuniary penalties, to appear at the gaol-delivery, answer charges, give evidence, produce persons in their mainprise, or in other ways further the ends of justice. The documents were not always filed precisely in this order; but in the majority of the still perfect files, the writings are preserved in this sequence.

Having put the writings (numbering from 100 to 200 parchments) on the file, the clerk arranged them so that they lay evenly, at their upper edges, folded in the broader documents backwards, so that none of them extended more than twelve or fourteen inches from the file, folded the deeper parchments upwards, and then with all the power of his hands rolled them into a firm, compact, cylindrical packet. Having done this, he brought round the file, and put it tightly three or four times round the bundle, and finally made its end fast by slipping it under the last coil of the cord. The bundle of documents now had the appearance of a roll, neatly and fully described on its wrapper. It looked like a roll, but was in fact a file of documents packed roll-wise. There is no reason why a bundle of parchments thus put together by strong and masterly hands, if only it be left undisturbed in a dry chamber, should not last uninjured by time for a thousand years, or why, on being opened a thousand years after its construction, the writings should not be as legible as when they were first penned. But the muniment-rooms of olden time were seldom so dry as such depositaries should be; and human restlessness is not favourable to the conditions under which records are permitted to repose without disturbance.

Damp and necessary disturbance are chiefly accountable for the disorder and destruction of old documents; and this is especially true in respect to such packets of ancient writings as Sessions' Rolls, at whose removal from an old to a new building, or from one chamber to another room in the same building, the snapping of a single string may throw a hundred writings into confusion and litter. In the course of centuries occasions naturally arise when it is needful to move the archives of a Sessions House. On the erection of a new court-house, it is needful to transfer such documents from building to building. On

the mere enlargement of an old court-house, the disturbance of its rolls is an ordinary incident of measures for structural improvement. Such occasions are fraught with peril to the ancient writings, whose removal for needful purposes is usually committed to the deficient discretion of persons, who, besides being ignorant of the value of such sources of historical evidence, are apt to imagine that things, so elastic and seemingly tough as bundles of parchments, tied up with apparently stout ligaments, do not need to be handled tenderly. Workmen, who pack new bricks with proper care for their fragility, will from sheer ignorance and simplicity toss old session-rolls about, as though no violence could break them. It is needless to say that if, besides being handled thus roughly at seasons of necessary disturbance, an accumulation of ancient manuscripts is exposed for hours at a time to heavy and drenching rainfall, and straightway crammed into a chamber of inadequate dimensions and no sufficient ventilation, it is in a fair way to pass through rottenness to dust. In former time it was the ill-fortune of the Middlesex Manuscripts to undergo several removals. They were brought together from different Sessions Houses in James the First's time, when the Middlesex magistrates entered on their long tenure of Sir Baptist Hicks's Hall. The migration from Hicks's Hall to a more ample Sessions House was another time of trouble to the manuscripts, which in later years have undergone the perils and trials of several removals. Had it not been for these successive disturbances, it is more than probable that, instead of being slender and fragmentary, the Middlesex Records from Edward VI. to Elizabeth would have remained unbroken in their series and perfect in their details.

X. *Indictments*.—With the exception of a few bills, preserved in the earlier General Session of Peace files, the indictments examined for the production of the present volume are drawn in Latin, with frequent interpolations of English words, for the explanation and familiar definition of the Latin immediately preceding them. But save for this use of a barbarous and more or less contracted Latin, these indictments differ in no important respect from the indictments used in criminal proceedings at the present time. Opening either with the words "*Juratores pro Domina Regina presentant quod,*" or the words "*Inquiratur pro Domina Regina si,*" even as Victorian indictments open with "The Jurors for our Lady the Queen present that," or "Let it be enquired for our Lady the Queen if," each Elizabethan indictment states precisely, and seldom with needless amplitude, the names and description or descriptions of the indicted person or persons, the offence or offences charged against the same person or persons, and the place, time and material circumstances of the alleged offence or offences.

It may not, however, be assumed that the old indictments in their

present state exhibit nothing more than these particulars. For it was the practice of the Clerk of the Peace to put on each of the more important indictments brief minutes of the incidents and consequences of the arraignment, and also brief memoranda of other matters touching the case, some of these matters often being incidents that occurred at times considerably subsequent to the dates of the arraignments. From some of these minutes or memoranda (to be found on most, though not on all, of the indictments), one learns whether a particular culprit put himself 'Guilty' or pleaded his innocence; whether, after putting himself 'Guilty,' he pleaded his clergy; whether the plea of clerical privilege was allowed, in consideration of his ability to read a verse from the bible, or denied in consideration of his lack of learning, or because he had on a former occasion escaped the gallows by a timely exhibition of clerical address, or because there was sufficient proof of his having committed an unclerigable felony, or for any of the other reasons that occasionally debarred felonious clerks from the benefit of the plea. So also one learns whether, for one of the minor offences for which the capital sentence could not be given, a culprit was whipt, branded, fined, or put in the pillory. By other memoranda it is told in the fewest possible words of extremely contracted Latin, how an urchin, who might have been sent to the gallows for stealing a few shillings of his master's numbered money, was discharged with a warning, in consideration of his juvenility; how, on being convicted of a petty theft, a serving-girl was sentenced to no more severe punishment than the shame of doing penance in her parish church; how another girl, guilty of stealing chattels to the value of several pounds, was fortunate in having a jury capable of appraising the stolen things at eleven pence, so that instead of being hung she was dismissed with wholesome admonition; how a gentleman-highwayman came into court with the Queen's pardon of his part in a felony, that a few weeks earlier had sent his confederate in iniquity to the gallows. By these memoranda the files, that without them would be mere rolled files, become sessions-rolls, in their literary substance and essence, though not in their literary form,—*i.e.* coherent records of the acts and proceedings of successive sessions.

(a.) *An Incident of Arraignment.*—One of these numerous, diverse, and diversely written memoranda runs thus: "*Po se cul ca null sus.*" In this note, *po* stands for *ponit*, *cul* for *culpabilem*, *ca null* for *catalla nulla*, and *sus* for *suspendatur*. Extended and punctuated, the note runs thus: "*Ponit se culpabilem; catalla nulla; suspendatur,*"=in English, "He puts himself 'Guilty'; no chattels (*i.e.* for forfeiture); let him be hung." In some cases, instead of ending with "*sus,*" the note gives "*sus per col*"=*suspendatur per collum*=let him be hung

by the neck. In other notes, instead of "sus" or "sus per col," we read "h'et jud" or "h'eat judic"=he has judgment; or, let him have judgment. Perhaps the most noteworthy part of the memorandum is the introductory "po se cul"=he puts himself 'Guilty.' In recent time the fashion has prevailed to speak of a prisoner as pleading 'Guilty,' when he 'puts himself Guilty,' *i.e.* confesses the offence charged against him; though it is obvious on a moment's consideration that a mere avowal of guilt is neither a plea nor in any way of the nature of a plea. That the customary misdescription of the act, by which the culprit in sheer despair of acquittal surrenders himself to justice, is an innovation no less modern than corrupt, appears from the fact that Blackstone observes, "When a criminal is arraigned, he either *stands mute* or *confesses* the fact; which circumstances we may call incidents to the arraignment; or else he pleads to the indictment,"—in other words, puts himself 'Not Guilty,' and in doing so pleads his innocence as a reason why he should be acquitted of the crime charged against him.

(b.) *The other Incident to Arraignment—"Standing Mute."*—To the other and rare incident of arraignment, *i.e.* the offence of the criminal who, on being required to confess the indictment or plead to it (in other words to put himself 'Guilty' or plead his innocence), we are indebted for the memorandum "Ideo judicium dat' est p' Cur' *scz* fort et dure" (*i.e.* soit my en la prisone fort et dure)=Let him be put in strong and hard prison; a memorandum which demands a few explanatory words, though it seldom appears on the indictments lying at Clerkenwell. From the third year of Edward I. to a time lying between 31 Edward III. and 8 Henry IV. the criminal sentenced for inconvenient taciturnity to "prisone fort et dure" endured an imprisonment which, though stern and rigorous even to extreme cruelty, was a punishment that men of singular fortitude and unusual bodily strength could support for five or even six weeks. It was also a punishment which the sufferer could terminate by yielding to the law and answering to the charge. But in later time the "fort et dure" was a comparatively quick passage to death; it being provided (possibly, as Blackstone suggests, by considerations of mercy) that the culprit should be laid naked on his back in a dark chamber under as great a weight of iron as he could bear without immediate extinction of his life, and should remain under this mortal burden till he should die, the sustenance afforded him during his torture being three morsels of the worst bread, on alternate days, and draughts of putrid water on the days coming between these allowances of solid food. It is not surprising that malefactors seldom provoked the sentence "fort et dure"; for though, in cases of felony and petit treason, the culprit could escape



corruption of blood and escheat of lands by standing mute, the hideous torture did not exempt him from forfeiture of goods and chattels.

(c.) *Benefit of Clergy*.—Another of the more noteworthy memoranda runs thus; “Cogn Ind ca null pet lib leg ut cler ust in man trad or.” In Elizabeth’s eighteenth year and all the succeeding years of her reign, this minute, instead of closing with “trad or,” ends with “trad secdm stat &c.,” or “juxta formam statuti &c.” In extension, the note in the earlier form runs thus; “Cognoscit (or cognovit) indictamentum : catalla nulla ; petit (or petiit) librum ; legit ut clericus ; ustus in manu traditur ordinario,”=He confesses (or confessed) the indictment ; has (or had) no chattels ; asks (or asked) for the book ; reads (or read) like a clerk ; burnt in the hand, he is delivered to the ordinary.” Appearing in different degrees of contractedness, this note appears with numerous variations of the words. For instance, “Po se cul”=(he puts or put himself Guilty) is often substituted for its precise equivalent “Cogn’ ind’ ”=(he confesses or confessed the indictment). Instead of writing “ust in man,” the recorder sometimes wrote “crem in man.” In the later indictments of Elizabeth’s reign, he seldom used either “ust” or “crem,” but with greater amplitude says of the convicted clerk “signat’ cum litera T et del (or delib) secndm formam statuti &c.”=he is marked with the letter T and delivered according to the form of the statute &c.

It can scarcely be needful for me to remind any reader of this page that, in the times when the *privilegium clericale* exempted clerks in holy orders from criminal process before secular judges, and the ability to read in a clerkly manner was accepted as sufficient proof of the reader’s clerical quality, laymen capable of reading were allowed to participate in an exemption which at first had been accorded only to wearers of the clerical habit and tonsure, and that, under this extension of clerical privilege to people in no way connected with the sacerdotal order or the service of the Church, it was neither impossible nor uncommon for a rascal to persist from early manhood to old age in a career of violence and crime, without undergoing punishment in any degree proportionate to his misdeeds. But though it is needless to speak at any length of matters so universally known, it will be for the convenience of some of its general readers that this preface should touch cursorily on a few points of the ancient and long since abolished law relating to benefit of clergy and the purgation of felonious clerks.

Of the abuses arising from so curious an extension of a particular clerical privilege, some notion is afforded by the language of Henry the Seventh’s brief enactment (4 Henry VII. c. 13) for their abatement, which runs thus :—

“Item, Whereas upon Trust of the Privilege of the Church, divers persons, lettered, have been the more bold to commit Murder, Rape, Robbery, Theft, and all

other mischievous Deeds, because they have been continually admitted to the Benefit of the Clergy as often as they did offend in any of the Premises ; in avoiding such presumptuous Boldness, It is enacted, ordained and established by the authority of this present Parliament, That every Person, not being within Orders, which once hath been admitted to the Benefit of his Clergy, eftsoons arraigned of any such offence, be not admitted to have the Benefit of his Clergy ; and that every Person so convicted of Murder, to be marked with an M on the Braun of the Left Thumb ; and if he be for any other Felony, the same Person to be marked with a T in the same place of the Thumb, and those Marks to be made by the Gaoler openly in the Court before the Judge, before such Person be delivered to the Ordinary. Provided alway, if any Person at the second time of asking his Clergy, because he is within Orders, hath not then and there ready his Letters of his Orders, or a certificate of his Ordinary witnessing the same, that then the Justices, afore whom he is so arraigned, shall give him a Day by their Discretion to bring in his said Letters or Certificate ; and if he fail, and bring not in at such a Day his said Letters nor Certificate, then the same Person to lose the Benefit of his Clergy, as he shall do that is without orders."

By this statute, therefore, it was ordained, together with other provisions for the limitation of the Clerical Privilege and the evils arising from it, that no layman should have benefit of his clergy on more than one occasion, and that every layman on pleading his clergy should be so marked in his person with a branding-iron that, in case he presumed to plead it a second time, the scar on the brawn of his left thumb would be a good reason for making especial inquisition into his history, though not sufficient evidence to justify an immediate and disdainful denial of his prayer. That the stigma thus put upon a criminal's hand was, however, sometimes less effectual in this respect than the law designed it to be, appears from the several cases in which an incorrigible offender pleaded his clergy for a second time at the Old Bailey, and pleaded it, moreover, in a manner which made it necessary to produce the record of his previous delivery to the bishop, and also to impanel a jury to ascertain whether or no he was the same clerk so delivered to the Church after being branded. The brand was unquestionably indelible so long as the tissues of the branded brawn were subjected to no unusual violence ; but it was within the resources of surgery to replace the brand of penal shame with a broader and deeper scar, which, though suspicious, would be less than damnatory. That the Tyburn T was sometimes deleted in this way from the brawn of a rascal's thumb is the reasonable inference from the number of second applications for the benefit of scholarship.

The favour shown to the clergy, and the advantages reserved to them over the laity, by this enactment of Henry the Seventh's fourth regnal year, ceased for awhile under that monarch's son, through the operation of the seventh section of 28 Henry VIII. c. 1, which ordained, " That such as be within Holy Orders shall from henceforth stand and be under the same Pains and Dangers for the Offences contained in any

of the said Statutes, and be used and ordered, to all Intents and Purposes, as other Persons not being within Holy Orders ;"—a provision repeated with greater amplitude and precision by the eighth section of 32 Henry VIII. c. 3, ordering "That such Persons as be or shall be within Holy Orders, which by the Laws of this Realm ought or may have their Clergy for any Felonies, and shall be admitted to the same, shall be brent in the Hand in like Manner and Form as Lay Clerks be accustomed in such cases, and shall suffer and incur afterward all such Pains, Dangers and Forfeitures, as be ordered and used for their Offences of Felony, to all Intents, Purposes and Constructions, as Lay Persons admitted to their Clergy be or ought to be ordered and used by the Laws and Statutes of this Realm."

But the favour and advantages to the clerical order, thus withdrawn by these statutes of Henry the Eighth, were restored to the clergy by the Statute 1 Edward VI. c. 12, which, together with other provisions, ordained that the benefit of peerage (equivalent to benefit of clergy) should, for a first offence, be accorded, without the humiliation of branding in the hand, to every lord of parliament and peer of the realm, having place and voice in parliament, who should be guilty of any crime clergyable to commoners, or of housebreaking, highway robbery, horse-stealing and robbing of churches, although he should be unable to read ;—a concession to people of high quality that, to the Duchess of Kingston's advantage in the eighteenth century, was held to extend to peeresses.

The distinction between clergymen in sacred orders and laymen rated as clerks because they could read having been thus revived, the law touching Benefit of Clergy and the delivery of felonious clerks in respect to clergyable felonies remained for the most part in accordance with Henry the Seventh's reformatory enactment till the 18th of Elizabeth, when it was ordained by "Cap. vii. : An Act to take away Clergy from the Offenders in Rape or Burglary, and an Order for the Delivery of Clerks Convict without Purgation," that "every Person and Persons, which at any Time after the End of this present Session of Parliament shall be admitted and allowed to have the Benefit or Privilege of his or their Clergy, shall not thereupon be delivered to the Ordinary as hath been accustomed, but after such Clergy allowed, and Burning in the Hand, according to the Statute in that Behalf provided, shall forthwith be enlarged and delivered out Prison by the Justices before whom such Clergy shall be granted ;" power being, however, given by the same statute to the Judge, to hold the offender yet longer in gaol—for any term not exceeding a year, in cases where immediate dismissal should seem too large a measure of leniency. Hence it is that, in Elizabeth's 18th year the words "*traditur Ordinario*" were replaced by

"deliberatur secundum statutum" or "juxta formam statuti &c." in the memorandum, to which the reader's attention has been called.

It would be wrong to assume that the culprit, who pleaded his clergy successfully, escaped without any punishment, beyond the humiliations attending his arrestment, preliminary trial by the grand jury, and arraignment. By 1 Edw. VI. c. 3 (repealed by 3, 4 Edw. VI. c. 16), felonious clerks, who obtained Benefit of Clergy with power of making purgation, were committed for an entire year as "slaves" to any person who would take them, before being allowed to purge themselves. Delivered to the bishop "*absque purgatione faciendâ*," they were enslaved for five years to masters, who had express authority to correct and govern them with stripes and chains. In times not affected by this short-lived statute, on being delivered to the bishop without power of making purgation, the felonious clerk derived from his *privilegium clericale* no brighter prospect than that of remaining in prison to the end of his days, unless he had influence with which to procure the sovereign's pardon; and there is no reason for thinking the discipline of a bishop's prison milder than the discipline of a secular gaol. When he was free to make his purgation at the earliest opportunity, he had to wait the bishop's pleasure for the opportunity. On coming before the bishop or the bishop's deputy, it was incumbent on him to swear he was innocent of the crime laid to his charge, "although," says Blackstone, "he had been previously convicted by his country, or perhaps by his own confession." The timidity and reserve, with which Blackstone makes the latter suggestion, at least imply a disposition to think it no affair of every-day occurrence for a culprit thus to swear himself innocent of the charge in respect to which he had shortly before declared himself 'Guilty.' Yet no student of the Clerkenwell rolls will doubt it was an incident of the commonest kind. It was rare for a prisoner to plead his clergy as a declinatory plea. In a considerable proportion of cases, the plea was made in arrest of judgment after a previous pleading of innocence, followed by trial and conviction. But in the great majority of cases, the pleading for Benefit of Clergy was made by a culprit, who had already avoided a trial, that could have had only one conclusion, by putting himself 'Guilty.'

To commit yet another perjury would not vex the conscience of a callous malefactor. But some of the persons, who to regain their liberty had in the bishop's presence to swear themselves innocent of what they knew themselves to be guilty, were no habitual criminals, but men far from utterly devoid of conscientiousness, though in a moment of weakness and urgent distress they had picked a purse, or carried a silver wine-cup off from a tavern. A few of them were men of honour and sensibility, who in days of universal duelling had

drawn sword impulsively in a street-riot or a tavern brawl, and with no clear and deliberate purpose of taking life had committed manslaughter.

To put his case before a jury of clerks and laymen, it was not enough for one of these upright and God-fearing offenders to swear, that he had not done what he was acutely remorseful for having done. It was incumbent on him to produce twelve confederates, styled his compurgators, who should one and all swear solemnly that they believed his declaration of innocence to be sincere and truthful, though they one and all must have known it to be a lie. The twelve compurgators having discharged their function of falsehood on oath, there was an examination of witnesses on behalf of the prisoner. Each of these witnesses swore what he was engaged and instructed to swear for the culprit's benefit, and swore all the more thoroughly because he knew that no attempt would be made to expose the falseness of his testimony, and that no evidence might be produced against the offender. Under these circumstances, it is not surprising that the trial usually ended in the prisoner's acquittal. In a certain proportion of the trials for the purgation of ordained clerks and clerkly laymen there was no need of perjury, and in such cases no perjury was committed. But in the majority of cases, the trial was from first to last a sham trial, in which the prisoner at the bar, the compurgators, the twelve clerks and laymen on the jury one and all committed perjury, and knew themselves to have been brought together in order that they should commit it. The clerks of the jury were none the less guilty of perjury, because their verdict was in accordance with the evidence submitted to them *in court*. If the judge (who sometimes was the bishop himself) did not commit perjury, he was at least guilty of something more than mere connivance at perjury; for both by act and word he affected to believe the compurgators and jury, and played his part in the blasphemous farce, as though it were a sincere and honest inquisition for the discovery of the truth.

Something, no doubt, could be urged in behalf of the extension of the *privilegium clericale* to mere laymen, even in the time when the privilege was abused most flagrantly, as a concession that mitigated the rigor of a barbarously simple penal code. More could be said in its favour when, through the operation of Henry the Seventh's statute, it merely affected first convictions or arraignments, and gave 'another chance' to culprits whose education afforded some stronger grounds of hope for their subsequent amendment, though they were certainly not more deserving of sympathy and commiseration than absolutely unlettered and ignorant offenders. But no apology could be offered for the extravagant indecencies of the proceedings, to which Elizabeth put an end in her eighteenth year. No less to the clergy,

who were most averse to secular interference in ecclesiastical affairs, than to the more discreet and sober of the laity, the enactment which abolished these impious sham-trials for the purgation of felonious clerks, must have been a welcome relief from what was scandalous to the church and hurtful to the whole community.

XI. *Indictment of Ben Jonson for Manslaughter*.—Enough having been said of the general characteristics of the earlier of the indictments lying at the Clerkenwell Sessions House, it will be well to submit to readers a single example of one of these writings. And no specimen can better serve the purpose of its exhibition than the deeply and painfully interesting document here given, 1st, in its proper contractedness, 2ndly, in extension, and 3rdly, in English. It is the indictment on which Ben Jonson was arraigned at the Justice Hall in the Old Bailey in October 1598, for the manslaughter of Gabriel Spencer.

(a.) The indictment, with endorsement and capital memorandum, in the contracted Latin of the document,—

*Cogn' Indictament petit librum legit ut Cl'icus sign' cum ira T Et del' iuxta formam statut' &c.*

Middss. Juratores pro Dñā Regina p'n'tant q<sup>d</sup>. Beniaminus Johnson nup de London yoman Vicesimo Secundo die Septembris Anno regni Dñē Elizabethe Dei grā Anglie Franc' & Hibernie Regine fidei defensoris &c. Quadagesimo Vi & armis &c<sup>a</sup>. In et sup quend<sup>a</sup>m Gabrielem Spencer in pace dei & dñe dñe Regine apud Shordiche in Com' Midd. pred' in Campis ibm̃ existen' insultum fecit Et eund<sup>m</sup> Gabrielem cum quod<sup>a</sup>m gladio de ferro et calibe vocat' a Rapiour precii iiii. quem in manu sua dextra adtunc & ibm̃ hañt & tenuit extract' felonice ac voluntar' percussit et pupugit dans eid<sup>m</sup> Gabrieli Spencer adtunc & ibm̃ cu' gladio pred' in et super dexterū latus ip'ius Gabrielis unam plagam mort'lem profunditat' sex pollic' & latitud' unius pollicis de qua quidem plaga mortali idem Gabriel Spencer apud Shordiche pred' in predcō Com' Midd. in Campis predcīs adtunc & ibm̃ instant' obiit Et sic Jur' predcī dicunt sup Sacm̃ suu' q<sup>d</sup>. pefat' Beniaminus Johnson predctm̃ Gabrielem Spencer apud Shordiche pred' in predcō Com' Midd & in Campis predict' [ ] predcīs felonice ac voluntar' interfecit & occidit contra pacem Dñe dñe Regine &c.

Endorsed 'Billa Vera.'

(b.) The Indictment, with endorsement and capital memorandum in extended Latin,—

*Cognoscit Indictamentum petit librum legit ut Clericus signatur cum litera T Et deliberatur iuxta formam statuti*

Middss.—Juratores pro Domina Regina presentant quod Beniaminus

Johnson nuper de London yoman Vicesimo Secundo die Septembris Anno regni Domine Elizabethe Dei gracia Anglie Francie et Hibernie Regine fidei defensoris et cetera Quadragesimo Vi et armis et cetera In et super quendam Gabrielem Spencer in pace dei et dicte domine Regine apud Shordiche in Comitatu Middlesexie predicto in Campis ibidem existentem insultum fecit Et eundem Gabrielem cum quodam gladio de ferro et calibe vocato a Rapiour precii trium solidorum quem in manu sua dextra adtunc et ibidem habuit et tenuit extractum felonice ac voluntarie percussit et pupugit dans eidem Gabrieli Spencer adtunc et ibidem cum gladio predicto in et super dexterum latus ipsius Gabriellis unam plagam mortalem profunditatis sex pollicum et latitudinis unius pollicis de qua quidem plaga mortali idem Gabriel Spencer apud Shordiche predictam in predicto Comitatu Middlesexie in Campis predictis adtunc et ibidem instanter obiit Et sic Juratores predicti dicunt super Sacramentum suum quod prefatus Beniaminus Johnson predictum Gabrielem Spencer apud Shordiche predictam in predicto Comitatu Middlesexie et in campis predictis [ ] predictis felonice ac voluntarie interfecit et occidit Contra pacem Dicte domine Regine &c.

Endorsed 'Billa Vera.'

(c.) The Indictment, with endorsement and capital memorandum in English,—

*He confesses the indictment, asks for the book, reads like a Clerk, is marked with the letter T, and is delivered according to the form of the statute, &c.*

Middlesex :—The Jurors for the Lady the Queen present that Benjamin Johnson late of London yoman on the twenty-second day of September in the fortieth year of the Lady Elizabeth by God's grace Queen of England France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith &c., made an assault with force and arms &c. against and upon a certain Gabriel Spencer, when he was in God's and the said Lady the Queen's peace, at Shordiche in the aforesaid county of Middlesex, in the fields there, and with a certain sword of iron and steel called a Rapiour, of the price of three shillings, which he then and there had in his right hand and held drawn, feloniously and wilfully struck and beat the same Gabriel, then and there with the aforesaid sword giving to the same Gabriel Spencer, in and upon the same Gabriel's right side, a mortal wound, of the depth of six inches and of the breadth of one inch, of which mortal wound the same Gabriel Spencer then and there died instantly in the aforesaid Fields at Shordiche aforesaid in the aforesaid County of Middlesex. And thus the aforesaid Jurors say upon their oath that the aforesaid Benjamin Johnson feloniously

and wilfully slew and killed the aforesaid Gabriel Spencer at Shordiche aforesaid in the aforesaid County of Middlesex and in the aforesaid Fields [in the year and day] aforesaid against the Peace of the said Lady the Queen &c.—Endorsed 'True Bill.'

This remarkable document is preserved in one of the fragmentary rolls,—a roll that has lost its dated wrapper, writs of 'Venire' and 'Capias,' and Coroners' Inquisitions-post-mortem. How wet this injured roll was, when it came into my hands some three years since, appears from the peculiar wrinkles of the parchments, now that they are dry. How far it had gone on the quick road to rottenness and dust, appears from the decay of some of the writings, and the faded colour of their ink. But though no dated wrapper remains to give us a more precise date, the remnant of the mutilated file affords abundant internal evidence that the author of 'Every Man In His Humour' confessed the indictment at the Gaol Delivery held in the Old Bailey in October 1598. Though some of the parchments are lost and others are injured by exposure to damp and dirt, the indictment on which the poet was arraigned is sound, legible and perfect, save that it has lost the words "die et anno" that have been torn from the body of the record.

From the evidence of the parchment it appears,

(a.) That Ben Jonson's duel with Gabriel Spencer was fought on 22 Sept. 1598.

(b.) That it was fought in Shoreditch Fields, which included the Hoggesdon Fields, mentioned by Henslowe.

(c.) That Jonson's sword was worth three shillings,—a cheap though possibly a good weapon.

(d.) That Gabriel Spencer died on the ground.

(e.) That, besides being thrown into prison for this affair, Jonson was indicted for manslaughter by an indictment which a Grand Jury (sitting probably at "The Castle" in St. John's Street) found a True Bill.

(f.) That, the bill having been so taken and found against him, Jonson was arraigned upon it at the next Gaol Delivery.

(g.) That he was styled "yoman" in the indictment, whereas the draughtsman, to guard against a dilatory plea, would have styled him "gentleman," had he thought him entitled to bear arms as one of the Johnstones of Annandale.

(h.) That the indictment charged the poet with being the aggressor in the conflict, which in later time he at least on one occasion represented to have been forced upon him.

(i.) That instead of resisting the charge in respect to any particular, he at his arraignment "confessed the indictment," *i.e.*, put himself 'Guilty,' or (as we say now-a-days) 'pleaded Guilty.'



(j.) That, on being so convicted of manslaughter on his own confession, he pleaded his clergy, read his neck-verse, and was delivered in accordance with the statute 18 Eliz. c. 7, after being branded by a hot iron with the letter, known to the London populace as the Tyburn T.

(k.) And further that, on being convicted, by his confession of manslaughter, he had chattels for forfeiture. Had he possessed no goods and chattels, "ca null" would have appeared in the memorandum over his name, at the top of the indictment. The Clerk of the Peace's silence as to chattels is sufficient evidence that there was a forfeiture of chattels.

No one of these facts was known to any one of the poet's biographers. To all of them it was known that in his early life Ben Jonson had killed a man in a duel, and had been thrown into prison for the awkward affair. By some of them it was believed, and by others it was suspected, that the unlucky combatant was an actor at the play-house where Jonson was himself acting. But all of them thought that the duel followed quickly on the poet's return from Flanders, instead of happening in 1598, and that he suffered for the affair nothing worse than a brief imprisonment. No one of them conceived that the poet was indicted and arraigned for manslaughter. Gifford, the best of the poet's unsatisfactory historians, assumed that the poet was let out of gaol because his enemies ceased to persecute him, that is, forbore to prosecute him. The writer of Ben Jonson's Memoir in Chambers's "Cyclopædia of Literature" says roundly that the poet was released without a trial. In a technical sense this statement may be admitted to be true, but none the less is it delusive. There was no trial by a jury of twelve men, because, instead of putting himself on the country, the prisoner put himself 'Guilty,' with the usual consequences. That the duel was fought in 1598, and that Jonson's ill-starred adversary bore the name of Gabriel Spencer, are facts that came to the world some years since through the research of the late Mr. Payne Collyer; and in one of the notes to his excellent edition of Gifford's "Ben Jonson," the late Colonel Cunningham gave proper prominence to the two facts. Collyer and Cunningham, however, knew no more than the poet's biographers how it was that he escaped the gallows, which in one of his confidences to Drummond of Hawthornden he confessed himself to have "come near."

There is something grimly fantastic in the notion of so good a scholar as Ben Jonson asking for the book, in order to prove himself capable of reading his neck-verse—something grotesquely horrible in the thought that but for Benefit of Clergy so bright a genius might have been hung at Tyburn like any unlettered rascal, convicted of having stolen a horse or stabbed an enemy in the back.

One would like to believe that Jonson was marked with nothing fiercer than a lukewarm iron. If the satirists of a later period may be believed, it was not uncommon for a gaoler in the middle of the seventeenth century, from tenderness for his own interest and prudent regard for a promised fee, to mark a felon with cold steel. It would be pleasant to come upon evidence that Ben's gaoler marked him accidentally with a cold seal. The man who warned him to be careful what he said in the hearing of the spies and eaves-droppers, who were employed in Newgate to catch up the conversation of the imprisoned Catholics, certainly took humane interest in the young actor and poet, whose only crime was that he had shown spirit and address in fighting a duel. But whilst satirists are often misleading witnesses as to matters of their own time, seventeenth-century satire on the usages of the period is no evidence to the usages of the previous century. Whilst young Jonson languished in Newgate, the law for branding felons was far too new a law for even the kindest-hearted gaoler to palter in the performance of the duty it assigned him. Enacted by the Queen's grandfather, it was re-enacted by her brother for common folk, when he exempted only people of the highest quality from the shameful punishment. Only two-and-twenty years since, in a statute certainly inspired by no tenderness for criminals, Elizabeth had herself re-ordained that felonious clerks should be burnt in the hand. The branding was still done in the presence and under the observance of the presiding Judge. An order so recent, a sentence to be executed under such surveillance, was no order to be trifled with by so subordinate a person as the gaoler of Newgate. The painful fact must be accepted, that on leaving Newgate the young author of a play, which every lettered Englishman has perused with delight, took with him the personal stigma of former felony. It is noteworthy that the scribblers, so quick to taunt Jonson with having been a bricklayer, because in his boyhood he was apprenticed to a calling altogether suitable to the social quality of a poor clergyman's son, never allude to that awful "litera T." Did he keep it from their eyes? Did he cut it out, or burn it out of his flesh? Or could it still have been discovered in the old spot, when he was placed tenderly and reverentially in the coffin, that was borne in honour to Westminster Abbey?

XII. *Coroners' Inquisitions-post-mortem*.—The abstracts, given in the ensuing calendar, of these inquests for causes of deaths cannot fail to be regarded, alike by students and general readers, as a considerable contribution towards the social history of Tudor England, affording as they do much curious evidence respecting the ways in which our Tudor ancestors determined their personal quarrels. Hitherto it has been generally assumed that duelling was confined to persons of gentle

degree ; that in time of peace the sword was the peculiar appanage and distinctive ornament of gentlemen ; that the commonalty, being for the most part content to settle their differences with their fists or quarter-staves, it was rare for a yeoman or mechanic to use a weapon of steel for the redress of his personal grievances. But the inquests of the Middlesex coroners put it beyond question that yeomen, tradesmen, and mechanics, throughout the period covered by the entries of this volume, exercised the right of fighting with sword and dagger almost as freely as their social betters, and that in Shakespeare's London it was a matter of common occurrence for a conflict, fought at the outset with fists, to be determined by the knife, which the worsted pugilist drew from his pocket whilst lying on the ground under the knees of his adversary. In these parchments tailors and shoemakers are seen fighting with weapons of iron and steel,—now by the light of day, now at twilight, and now in the darkness of night. Whilst tavern-haunters of every social grade thus fought with rapier and short-sword, bill and knife, the staid and law-abiding citizen seldom went abroad without a dagger, to be drawn in self-defence from a convenient pocket, should he be molested by street-rioters, or pushed from the wall by a tipsy swaggerer. In Tudor time the vindictive blow followed quickly upon the insulting word ; and in moments of wrath blood was sometimes shed in the public ways, almost before the shedder of it knew he had crossed swords with a sudden assailant. Sometimes these affrays were preceded by cartel of defiance and formal invitation to the nearest fields ; but almost as often they were fought in the public ways, and in the presence of a ring of idlers who hedged off the constables till one of the combatants fell to the ground, and who, on the termination of the affair, congratulated themselves on having fallen in with such congenial entertainment during a mid-day walk. In the days when an insult in Paul's Alley was followed at an interval of three or four minutes by a duel in Paul's Churchyard, gentlemen left their wine in a Strand tavern to cross swords with one another in the crowded thoroughfare, under the windows of the very room that half-an-hour since resounded with their mutual vows of everlasting friendship. In some cases, the last duel to be gossiped about at the Elizabethan ordinaries had been fought to the death in the principal parlour of a private house. Unless they were fatal, these encounters seldom came to the cognizance of the magistrates. That the affrays, to escape the vigilance of the constables, were numerous in every month of the year, may be inferred from the frequency of the affrays in which life was taken.

In the Middlesex Records one comes also upon inquests respecting deaths from misadventure, deaths done by cold-blooded murderers, and deaths resulting from the torture and despair of miserable women

who destroyed the offspring of their weakness and shame. Whilst some of the deaths from misadventure (including fatal accidents at archery-practice) are curious and coloured with historic interest, some of the cases of infanticide are unspeakably doleful and harshly pathetic. The murders by poisoning are so few, that one does not hesitate to say that poisoning was an infrequent crime till the end of Elizabeth's reign ; but the few cases where murderers employed ratsbane (the sulphuret of mercury) for the achievement of their felonious purpose should be not allowed to escape the reader's attention.

That a considerable proportion of these returns by coroners were used as bills of indictment appears from the fact that, besides being endorsed "*Billa Vera*," they exhibit the memoranda usually found on indictments for murder or manslaughter. But together with the coroner's inquisition-post-mortem a roll often contains an indictment touching the same death ; the indictment appearing in most of these cases to have been drawn either for the correction of some misdescription in the earlier document, or for the amendment of the finding of the coroner's jury. In some cases, however, the indictment seems to have been drawn out of mere consideration of the Old Bailey jurors, who were likely to be perplexed and misled by the coroner's phraseology. Shorter and more direct to the point than a coroner's inquisition with verdict of murder or manslaughter, the mere bill of indictment was a more convenient and effective document at a criminal trial. On the other hand, from its larger communicativeness, a coroner's inquisition is far more interesting and serviceable than an indictment to the gleaner of minute facts for social history. Whilst the latter exhibits only the matters to be proved to the satisfaction of twelve jurors, the former is exuberant of such details as are especially attractive and useful to the social historian and the antiquary. For instance, in dealing with localities, whilst it was enough for the draughtsman of an indictment for the murder of a single individual to state the parish of the murdered person, the parish or respective parishes of the person or persons charged with doing the murder, or with being accomplices in the crime, and the parish in which the crime was done, the coroner seldom failed to mention the street or other precise locality of the parish in which the felony was perpetrated. Not seldom the coroner sets forth the precise spot of the particular street, and even gives the names of persons occupying the houses near the place, where the murder was committed. Had the coroner's inquisition for the cause of Gabriel Spencer's death been preserved to us, we should probably have learnt from it the precise hour of his duel with Ben Jonson, the occasion on which the two young actors had their first difference, and some of the very words of the altercation that stirred them to mutual hatred. The inquisition

might have revealed the *fons et origo* of the fatal quarrel. It would perhaps have enabled us to see whether Ben Jonson was justified in saying he was at a disadvantage in the encounter, by reason of the length of Gabriel Spencer's sword. Probably it would have shown conclusively which of the two combatants provoked the quarrel, and whether the challenge was given by word of mouth or cartel.

From the following Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, it seems that, rather more than a year and nine months before he fell dead in Shoreditch Fields under Ben Jonson's sword, Gabriel Spencer had himself taken human life under circumstances which may dispose some readers to think it probable, that the author of "Every Man in His Humour" rendered society good service by putting an end to so hot-headed and dangerous a fellow.

Midd'ss'.—Inquisicio Indentata capta apud Hollowellstreete in parochia Sancti Leonerdi in Shordiche in comitatu Middlesexie decimo die Decembris anno regni Domine nostre Elizabethe Dei gracia Anglie Francie et Hibernie Regine fidei defensoris &c. Tricesimo Nono coram Richardo Sheppard generoso uno Coronatorum dicte Domine Regine comitatus sui Middlesexie predicti Super visum corporis Jacobi Feake ibidem jacentis mortui et interfecti Per sacramentum Johannis Bonas Roberti Braithwarde Thome Peeters Johannis Carter Alexandri Baggley Richardi Awsten Johannis Hamson Anthonii Shippe Roberti Braye Edwardi Awstall Johannis Welbelovde Caroli Coniber et Danielis Walker proborum et legalium hominum ejusdem parochie et aliarum quatuor villarum eidem parochie proxime adjacentium Juratorum ad inquirendum qualiter quando et quomodo predictus Jacobus Feake ad mortem suam devenit Qui dicunt super sacramentum suum quod ubi quidam Gabriel Spencer nuper de London yoman et prefatus Jacobus Feake fuerunt in simul in domo mansionali cujusdam Richardi Easte apud parochiam Sancti Leonerdi in Shordiche predicta in predicto comitatu Middlsexie barbar tertio die Decembris anno regni dicte Domine Regine tricesimo-nono supradicto inter horas quintam et sextam post meridiem ejusdem diei Ita accidit quod diversa contumeliosa et opprobriosa verba inter prefatum Jacobum Feake et Gabrielem Spencer dicta et locuta fuerunt Racione cujus prefatus Jacobus Feake habens quoddam candelabrum de cupro vocatum a candlestickte precii viz. quod in manu sua dextra tunc et ibidem habuit et tenuit ea intencione ad idem candelabrum ad prefatum Gabrielem Spencer ejiciendum Super quo predictus Gabriel habens unum gladium vocatum a Rapiour de ferro et calibe precii vs. existentem in vagina cum gladio et vagina predictis prefatum Jacobum Feake tunc et ibidem percussit et pupugit dans eidem Jacobo tunc et

ibidem cum gladio existente in vagina predicta super faciem videlicet inter pupillam oculi dexteri vocatam the ball of the eye et supercilia vocata the eyebrows penetrantem in cerebra unam plagam mortalem profunditatis sex pollicum et latitudinis duorum pollicum de qua quidem plaga mortali prefatus Jacobus Feake a predicto tertio die Decembris anno regni dicte domine Regine tricesimo-nono supradicto vsque sextum diem ejusdem mensis Decembris apud Hollowell-streete predictum in parochia Sancti Leonerdi in Shordiche predicta in dicto comitatu Middlesexie languebat et languidus vixit Quo quidem sexto die Decembris anno tricesimo-nono supradicto predictus Jacobus Feake apud Hollowellstrete predictum in parochia Sancti Leonerdide Shordiche predicta in dicto comitatu Middlesexie de plaga mortali predicta obiit Et sic predictus Gabriel Spencer prefatum Jacobum Feake modo et forma predictis tunc et ibidem felonice interfecit et occidit contra pacem dicte domine Regine &c. Et sic idem Jacobus Feake ad mortem suam devenit, Et non aliter neque aliquo alio modo quam ut supradictum est Set que bona et catalla terras sive tenementa predictus Gabriel Spencer tempore felonie predicte sic facte et perpetrate habuit Juratores predicti penitus ignorant In cujus rei testimonium tam prefatus Coronator quam Juratores predicti huic Inquisicioni sigilla sua alternatim apposuerunt. Datum die et anno primum supradictis

Per me Ricardum Sheppard coronatorem.

#### THUS IN ENGLISH :—

Middlesex : The Inquisition indented, taken at Hollowell-street in the parish of St Leonerd in Shordiche in the county of Middlesex on the tenth day of December in the thirty-ninth year of the reign of our Lady Elizabeth, by God's grace Queen of England, France and Ireland, defender of the faith &c., before Richard Sheppard gentleman, one of the said Lady the Queen's coroners of her aforesaid county of Middlesex, On view of the body of James Feake, there lying dead and slain, By the oath of John Bonas, Robert Braithwarde, Thomas Peeters. John Carter, Alexander Baggley, Richard Awsten, John Hamson, Anthony Shippe, Robert Braye, Edward Awstall, John Welbelovde, Charles Coniber and Daniel Walker, good and lawful men of the same parish and of the four towns next adjacent to the same parish, Sworn to enquire how, at what time, and in what manner the aforesaid James Feake came to his death, Who say upon their oath that, whereas a certain Gabriel Spencer late of London yoman and the aforesaid James Feake were together in the dwelling-house of a certain Richard Easte at the parish of St. Leonerd in Shordiche aforesaid in the said county of Middlesex barber, on the third day of December in the aforesaid thirty-ninth year of the said Lady the Queen, between the fifth and

sixth hours p.m. of the same day, it so happened that divers insulting and reproachful words were said and spoken between the aforesaid James Feake and Gabriel Spencer, By reason of which the aforesaid James Feake having in his hand a certain candelabrum of copper called a candlestick, worth sixpence, which he then and there had in his right hand, and held with the intention to throw it at the said Gabriel Spencer, Whereupon the aforesaid Gabriel Spencer, having a sword called a rapier of iron and steel, of the price of five shillings, being in the scabberd, with the aforesaid sword and scabberd then and there struck and beat the aforesaid James Feake, giving then and there to the same James, with the sword being in the aforesaid scabberd, a certain mortal wound, six inches deep and two inches wide, on the face, that is to say, between the pupil of the right eye, called the ball of the eye, and the eyebrows, penetrating to the brain, of which mortal wound the aforesaid James Feake languished and lived in languor at Hollowell Street aforesaid, in the aforesaid parish of St. Leonerd of Shordich, in the said county of Middlesex, from the aforesaid third day of December in the aforesaid thirty-ninth year of the said Lady the Queen's reign, until the sixth day of the same month of December, On which sixth day of December in the above-said thirty-ninth year the aforesaid James Feake died of the aforesaid mortal wound at Hollowell Street aforesaid, in the aforesaid parish of St. Leonerd of Shordiche, in the aforesaid county of Middlesex, And thus the aforesaid Gabriel Spencer then and there, against the peace of the said Lady the Queen &c., killed and slew the aforesaid James Feake in the manner and way aforesaid, And thus, and no otherwise nor in any other manner than is abovesaid, the same James Feake came to his death. But what goods and chattels lands or tenements the aforesaid Gabriel Spencer had at the time of the aforesaid felony thus done and perpetrated the aforesaid Jurors are wholly ignorant. In testimony of which thing the aforesaid Coroner and the aforesaid Jurors have alternately put their seals to this Inquisition. Dated in the day and year first abovesaid.

By me Richard Sheppard, Coroner.

XIII. *Recognizances*.—As nearly every affair, that gave occasion for draughting a bill of indictment, was an occasion for binding several persons to appear at some ensuing Sessions of Peace or Sessions of Gaol-Delivery, to answer to charges or give evidence, and as it was needful in the ordinary way of justiciary business, to put numerous persons under pecuniary bond, in respect to matters that afforded no occasion for framing a bill of indictment, it is needless to say that the recognizances, lying at the Clerkenwell Sessions House, are far more numerous than all the other writings with which they are preserved.

In proportion as they are more numerous, the recognizances are also less interesting than the other documents. From nine out of every ten recognizances, all that can be learnt is that nine humble and obscure persons, whose names are in no way associated with any matter of present interest, were ordered under more or less heavy penalties to keep the peace towards their neighbours, to desist from committing some commonplace nuisance, or to appear at some future Gaol-Delivery or Session of Peace, for the purpose of answering to some accusation, or of giving evidence tending to prove some quite obscure person guilty of some utterly unhistoric offence. The majority of the persons, thus bound over by recognizances of no historic moment, were mechanics who had beaten their wives or their neighbours' wives, labourers who had come to blows over too many pots of heady ale, artisans guilty of jeering at the constables, young tailors or other young craftsmen guilty of presuming to set up in business on their own account, instead of working as journeymen for masters entitled to their services, apprentices with heads broken in a recent riot, women at war with women of their street or yard, petty tradesmen accused of paltry frauds, householders charged with obstructing a common sewer, or persons suspected of victualling without a licence.

Under no circumstances could the recognizances of such people and their sureties be diverting or usefully instructive: but these writings are especially barren and unprofitable, on account of their silence respecting the very particulars about which one would wish them to be most communicative. It is often left to the reader of a recognizance to imagine the cause for draughting the document. When a recognizance says anything of the delinquent's offence, the meagre intelligence is given by such expressions as "*ad tenendam pacem*" and "*pro bono gestu*," no hint being given as to how the peace was broken, or what misconduct caused the requirement for better behaviour. In Elizabeth's time, when it was the practice of some of the Justices to illustrate their Latin recognizances with brief foot-notes or endorsements in the mother tongue, touching the why and wherefore of the documents, these particular writings become less wearisome to the searcher, as he comes more frequently on a scrap of acceptable, and even important information.

In dealing with these documents, the majority of which are as unentertaining and historically worthless as several thousands of ancient writings can well be, I persisted in my resolution to examine every one of them. Had I been less persistent in a labour, not altogether fruitless of good though inexpressibly tedious, I might have missed the important recognizance, taken on 19 Dec., 20 Eliz., which revealed the important fact, that, instead of kneeling before his sovereign for the



first time in the year 1582, as his successive biographers have represented, Walter Raleigh was a bright feature of Elizabeth's court as early as 1577,—a fact which, on its being communicated promptly to Professor Gosse, enabled that fine and subtle critic to perfect one of the most remarkable demonstrations of recent literary research.

XIV. *Choice of Documents.*—It will be for the reader's satisfaction that I should indicate the various considerations that have determined my choice of documents for especial notice in the ensuing calendar. Throughout my labours I have been controlled by the opinion that I ought to call attention to those writings, which afford particulars, however minute, of new or otherwise peculiar information, likely to be in any way or degree serviceable to historians, biographers, students in any department of literary research, or artists in form and colour. I have therefore been careful to mention every indictment that exhibits the name of a historic personage, refers in any way to any movement or state of affairs fairly to be designated "historic," yields evidence touching an obsolete usage, or enlarges an ordinary reader's knowledge of the pursuits, serious interests, pleasures, troubles, costume, personal ornaments, domestic furniture, social conditions and moral characteristics of our ancestors during the later half of the Tudor period. To exhibit a peculiar spelling of a familiar name, the ancient designation of an article of dress, a fact for the historian of prices, or an obsolete place-name likely to be valuable to the topographers of Old London, I have given the substance of indictments that are noteworthy only because they afford such particulars. Dealing with the recognizances in the same way, I have described many a bond whose only claim to consideration is that it mentions a peculiar industry, or revives the memory of an extinct fashion or discarded practice. To afford abundant evidence of a matter of considerable moment, I have not hesitated to describe several documents of the same purport. But having given the abundant evidence, I have forborne to render it superabundant by needless examples. For instance, having in my notes touching the larcenies and robberies, done during the first thirty of the years covered by the ensuing calendar, given a sufficiency of information respecting the prices of various necessities and luxuries of life, the values of animals and ornaments, I take no notice in my later pages of indictments that under any circumstances would be valuable only for their information touching the same matters. On the other hand, when it has appeared needful to display every scrap of testimony concerning a state of things, I have not forborne to do so, from a fear of provoking charges of prolixity and of a delight in vain repetitions. To demonstrate the frequency of duels in the highways and outskirts of Elizabethan London, and to show how largely the pleasure of living in

the town was qualified by inconveniences arising from the prevalent violence of manners, I have noticed all the coroners' inquisitions, resulting in verdicts of murder and homicide, and all the indictments for deeds of fatal violence of which no mention is made in what remains to us of the coroners' inquisitions. To show the unhealthiness of the principal gaol of Tudor London, I have given the particulars of all the inquests for the cause of death taken within Newgate. In the calendar notice is taken of all the remaining true bills for poisoning and witchcraft, whether they resulted in acquittal or a verdict of 'Guilty'; and all the indictments for unnatural offences, rape, and carnal abuse of children, that were either confessed by the culprits, or proved against them to the satisfaction of juries. These indictments for peculiarly repulsive offences are far from numerous; but in drawing inferences from their fewness, the reader should steadily keep in mind the fragmentary state of the earlier Middlesex records.

(a.) *Thefts of Church Ornaments and Goods, Temp. Phil. and Mary.*

—For examples of indictments that, without being indictments for political offences, relate to states of affairs that may be designated historic, readers may be referred to pp. 23, 24 and 30 of the ensuing calendar, where particulars are given of three curious thefts done in Middlesex, of church-goods, belonging to the parishioners of parishes in other counties. From the first-mentioned of these indictments, it appears that, at St. Giles's-in-the-Fields co. Midd., on 14 July, 1 & 3 Phil. and Mary, Ethelbert Warner, late of Pitstorne co. Bucks, tailor stole a silver-gilt chalice worth fifty-two shillings, a red velvet vestment worth forty shillings, a blue satin vestment worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence, and two linen albes, of the goods and chattels of the parishioners of Pitstorne, whilst the things so stolen were in the custody of Henry Walker and William Pyng guardians of the goods and ornaments of the parish-church of Pitstorne.—From another of these indictments, it appears that, at High Holborn co. Midd. on 27 August, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary, Simon Cosyn, late of Saffron Walden co. Essex yoman, stole and carried away a red-silk cope, a linen altar-cloth, a linen albe, a linen amice, a sacring bell and a corporas-cloth, of the goods and chattels of the parishioners of the parish-church of Arkesden co. Essex, whilst the things so stolen were in the custody of George Louve and William Tailleur, guardians of the goods and ornaments of the said church.—From the latest of the three indictments, it appears that, at South Mymes co. Midd. on 4 Feb., 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary, two yeomen of London stole goods and chattels worth over sixteen pounds, of the goods and chattels of the parishioners of Hadenham co. Bucks, whilst the articles were in the wardens of the church of the said Buckinghamshire parish.—Till he has recalled how church goods and

ornaments were gathered together and sold in Edward the Sixth's time, and how the action of Edward's Commissioners for so dealing with articles needful for the celebration of Catholic rites put parishioners, in the ensuing reign, under the necessity of buying new chalices, capes, amices, albes and corporas-cloths, the reader will fail to apprehend how it came to pass, that the goods and ornaments of Essex and Buckinghamshire parishes were stolen in Middlesex from the churchwardens of those parishes. The appearance of three such indictments in the fragmentary sessions-rolls of Mary Tudor's time warrants a confident opinion that such thefts were common in Middlesex between Edward's death and Elizabeth's accession; and that, even when they were not plundered in Middlesex, rural churchwardens in Mary's time were often relieved on the homeward journey of the cups and vestments which they had bought in London a few days earlier with moneys levied in their respective parishes.

(b.) *Egyptians, Rogues and Vagabonds*.—In the numerous True Bills against gypsies and other vagrant rogues, we have another class of indictments, relating to a state of social affairs that may be called historic. To understand the proceedings which sent men and women to the gallows for nothing more heinous than the offence of associating with gypsies, readers must remember that, besides re-enacting the statute against gypsies of 1 & 2 Philip and Mary, the enactment of 5 Elizabeth, c. 20, "for further punishment of vagabonds calling themselves Egyptians," made it a capital felony without benefit of clergy for any person, in England or Wales, to assume the dress and speech of the vagabonds calling themselves Egyptians, and for the space of one month, either at one time or several times, to associate with and live in the company of the same vagabonds.

Whilst things, strange to English people of the nineteenth century, were done in Elizabeth's time by the operation of the laws against gypsies, even stranger things were done by the laws against vagrants over fourteen years of age. By 14 Elizabeth, c. 5, it was adjudged that every vagrant over fourteen years of age, male or female, should on the conviction of so odious an offence be grievously whipt, and burned through the gristle of the right ear with a hot iron of the compass of an inch, unless some credible person should take him into service for an entire year. Though the branding is sometimes described in the memoranda of indictments as branding on the ear, the hot iron used in marking vagrants was for that purpose sent clean through the gristle of the ear. By the draughtsmen of statutes, it was sometimes called "boring the ear." Sometimes the vagrant, who escaped grievous flogging and this thorough branding by a credible person's timely offer to take him into service for a year, had the good fortune

to fall into the hands of an humane master. But more often he was apprenticed to a harsh tyrant. Anyhow, he was the slave of the person to whose government he was committed. By 1 Edw. VI. c. 3, he was styled the "slave" of the master to whom he was committed. If the vagrant were eighteen years old, it was ordained that, on being convicted of relapsing into vagabondage he should suffer death, unless some credible person took him into service for two years. On his third conviction of vagabondage, the sturdy rogue had no escape from the gallows. The law dealt evenly with male and female vagrants. Girls and women, no less than boys and men, were treated for vagrancy with the whip, the branding-iron and the rope.

This being so, Joan Wynstone, Elizabeth Hopkyns and Margaret Archer (*vide* pp. 101, 2) were on 6 February, 18 Eliz., convicted of vagrancy and sentenced to be whipt and burnt with a hot iron of an inch in circuit through the gristle of the right ear. Whether Joan Wynstone was married at the time of this first conviction does not appear; but Joan Wynstone certainly was a married woman on the second day of the following August (2 Aug., 18 Eliz.), when she, Margaret Archer and Elizabeth Hopkyns were placed in the dock of the Justice Hall of the Old Bailey, to answer to an indictment, charging them with having relapsed into vagabondage and been vagrant on the 26th day of last July at Clerkenwell co. Midd., and at other places of the same county. How the three women fared on this occasion appears from three several memoranda on the bill of indictment. Elizabeth Hopkins pleaded 'Not Guilty' and did not retract; the inference from the note, which says no more, being that she was acquitted. Found 'Guilty,' Margaret Archer and Joan Wynstone would have been sent to the gallows, had they not been rescued by the timely appearance of two credible persons. Margaret Archer was committed to the service and keeping of John Luck of Wickeham co. Bucks, yeoman, for the space of two years; the said John Luck being bound in his own recognizance, in the sum of ten pounds, to produce the same Margaret at Session of Peace on the expiration of the term, or else to produce sufficient proof of her death. In like manner, Joan Wynstone was bound apprentice for two years to another credible person, who bound himself in a penalty of ten pounds to produce her at Session of the Peace at the end of the two years, or to produce sufficient evidence of her death. To whom was Joan Wynstone thus committed for salutary discipline? To her own husband. "Ac eciam venit," runs the memorandum of her consignment to a credible person, "Thomas Wynstone de Clarkenwell in com. Midd. laborer et retinuit in servicio suo Johannam Winstone uxorem ejus pro duobus annis integris proxime sequentibus et recognovit se debere domine

Regine x li: legalis monete Anglie sub consimili conditione," = And Thomas Wynstone of Clarkenwell labourer came and retained in his service Joan Winstone his wife for the two entire years next following, and acknowledged that he owed the Queen ten pounds of the lawful money of England under like condition."

This took place on or about 2 Aug. 18 Eliz. What followed? On the 3rd of the next following October, when she had been in his service just two calendar months, Margaret Archer withdrew from John Luck's government without his permission; and on the same day, Joan Wynstone withdrew without his permission from her husband's control. Both women deserted service. What they did with themselves on deserting the service of their respective masters does not appear; but it may be assumed that they returned to vagrancy and lived as vagrants till the following summer. On or about 30 Aug., 19 Eliz., they were again in the dock of the Old Bailey court-house. The indictment against them was for desertion of their lawful masters. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' both women pleaded pregnancy. Found 'Pregnant' by a jury of matrons, Margaret Archer was remanded till she should be delivered of her child. Found 'Not Pregnant' by a jury of matrons, Joan Wynstone was forthwith sentenced to be hung. The same sentence, that relieved him of an unruly apprentice, relieved Thomas Wynstone of a troublesome wife. What became of Margaret Archer is not stated; but in the ordinary course of things she would be hung after giving birth to her child.

(c.) *Money, Plate, and Jewellery*.—Of the various offences perpetrated in Elizabethan Middlesex, none were so frequent as thefts of ordinary clothing, common domestic furniture and small sums of money, viz. thefts of such things as could be stolen most readily and with the least risk of detection by persons belonging to the most numerous and necessitous class of the community. Next to the indictments for such ordinary thefts, the indictments for horse-stealing and cattle-stealing were most frequent. Whilst horses were continually stolen in every quarter of London, horses were ridden to town by thieves who had seized them in Middlesex paddocks or the grass lands of adjacent counties. It was also seldom for a gaol-delivery to be made and concluded without sentence of death being passed on several stealers of oxen and cows, sheep and swine.

These two classes of indictments excepted, perhaps no indictments were more numerous than those for the stealing of plate and considerable sums of money; some of these thefts being done with enough violence to put them in the category of robberies, whilst a smaller proportion of them were burglarious felonies. It will not escape the reader, that the amount of coined gold, sometimes stolen in

the public ways of Tudor Middlesex far exceeded the sums of money ordinarily taken by pickpockets in these days of universal banking, when there is no need for persons to carry purses heavily charged with precious metal. In respect to the value of the stolen goods, and the daring exhibited in taking them from their rightful owners or custodians, some of the greatest robberies of precious stones and jewellery will endure comparison with the ordinary jewel-robberies of Victorian England, allowance being made for the difference of the values of money, and for the comparative poverty of the fairly affluent people of the earlier period.

The plate-robberies indicate how large an amount of silver was possessed by Elizabethan Londoners in the form of drinking-vessels. Whilst private gentlemen of no great social distinction sometimes displayed on their sideboards a greater weight of silver utensils than would be found now-a-days in the houses of moderately prosperous gentle people, yeomen of the richer sort drank their ale from silver. That silver cups were so often carried off from taverns, and that a silver drinking-vessel of a particular fashion was familiarly designated "a tavern-cup," are items of the large body of testimony to the redundancy of plate in Middlesex three centuries since. Whilst a large proportion of this plate was parcel-gilt or wholly gilt, some of it was double-gilt.

The indictments for coining and uttering false money are not numerous, but the few to be found in the imperfect series of fragmentary files are so interesting that I have been careful to call attention to each of them. That "tester," the slang term for a sixpenny-piece, comes to us from Tudor time, when "testorne" was the familiar name for pieces of that value, is worthy of remark. But, perhaps, the indictments touching money yield nothing more likely to occasion surprise, than their testimony that the piece of gold, which has long been known as a half-sovereign, and known by no other name, used to be generally, if not correctly, styled "a sovereign" in Elizabethan time,—a fact all the more curious, because one of the indictments of Edward the Sixth's regnal period speaks of a certain gold ten-shilling piece as a "di-sovereign," and some of the Elizabethan indictments apply the term sovereign to a gold piece worth twenty shillings.

In the sixth year of Edward the Sixth (*vide* pp. 8 and 9), Alice Adams was indicted for stealing, together with other things, a piece of gold called "a di-sovereign" worth ten shillings, and a piece of gold called "an old aungell" worth ten shillings. Though there is no need to infer that it was a word of ordinary parlance, it cannot be questioned that the clerk, who draughted this indictment, used "di-sovereign" in the sense of half-sovereign. But in the third year of Elizabeth, Richard Tylman *alias* Dericke and John Dowdald were indicted for entering

Henry Walsted's house burglariously and stealing therefrom (*vide* p. 37) ten pieces of gold called soueraynes worth five pounds [decem pecias auri voc' soueraynes ad valenciam quinque librarum]. The Elizabethan indictments for stealing sovereigns worth ten shillings each are too numerous to leave any room for doubt that, in the reign of the virgin-queen, "sovereign" was regarded as a term applicable to a gold ten-shilling piece. Upon the whole, I was disposed to think the Elizabethans regarded the term as applicable to a gold ten-shilling piece and a gold twenty-shilling bearing the image of the Queen. And I remained in this disposition, until I came upon an indictment of James the First's second year, charging Peter Balishewe, late of London alien, with stealing, on the 18th of Dec. of that year, a piece of coined gold worth twenty shillings, called "an Elizabeth double soueraigne."

(*d.*) *Clergymen, and Gentlemen of The Laity.*—Careful to notice every indictment and recognizance, making mention of an historic personage, I have also been careful to omit from my calendar no indictment, resulting in the conviction of a clergyman or lay-gentleman either of felony or misdemeanour. And I have been thus careful to record the offences of gentlemen and of clerks in holy orders, not because I delight in gathering evidence to the discredit of persons belonging to what are sometimes called the higher and privileged classes, but because the offences of persons of education and gentility are more indicative of the general state of social morality, than the offences committed by people of inferior quality, training and circumstances.

Even when it is borne in mind, as it ever should be by the peruser of this work, that though numerous and considerable the Middlesex records of the Tudor period are the mere remains of a far larger collection, most readers will account it to the credit of the Elizabethan clergy, that so weighty a mass of indictments should afford so few cases of clerical delinquency. Now and again the searcher of these criminal records comes on a clergyman of the Anglican Church, indicted for trespass, violent assault, fraud, theft, or graver felony. But these clerical offenders are so few, as to put it beyond doubt that the Anglican clergy of Tudor Middlesex were at least seldom deficient in social orderliness and decorum.

As much cannot be said for the gentlemen of the laity; though it would be unjust to the class they discredited to forget, even for an instant, that the Tudor gentlemen, who died at Tyburn for their country's good, were the comparatively few black sheep of a numerous and chivalric body of Englishmen, and had for the most part fallen from the society and cognizance of their equals by birth, long

before the hangman gave them quick and fit delivery. It does not appear from the Middlesex archives, that these black sheep of gentle birth and shameful life bore a larger proportion to the several thousands of the Elizabethan gentry, than the corresponding scoundrels of our present social system bear to the tens of thousands of Victorian gentlemen. The gentle rascals of Elizabethan England no doubt perpetrated offences, of which the gentle scoundrels of the present time are seldom guilty. On the other hand, the well-born and well-taught scoundrels of the nineteenth century do evil things that gentle rascals of the sixteenth century never thought of doing.

It is interesting to observe what misdemeanours and felonies were committed by the gentle scoundrels of Shakespeare's England. They stole horses, oxen and sheep. Turning highwaymen, they stript peaceful travellers of their goods, clothing and money, and, when the case demanded especially vigorous action, murdered them in the public ways. For gain or vengeance they would sometimes stab their enemies in the back. It was even possible for an Elizabethan gentleman to steal by night into his father's bedroom, and surprising him in his sleep, then and there strangle him to death. Burglaries were often committed by the gentlemen of England in olden time. But these were the grander and more heroic villanies of the black sheep of the gentle grade, who, committing these and similar atrocities once in a while, condescended to replenish their purses by meaner violations of the law. It was possible in Elizabethan England for a man to be a cutpurse and pickpocket, to be a poacher and card-sharper, to carry off a silver goblet from a tavern-parlour or a goldsmith's counter, to sneak into a lady's house and sneak out of it with her silver spoons and finest lace, to keep a bowling-alley or a brothel, and yet to be a person who could have made a dilatory plea on the ground of misdescription, had he been described in an indictment as anything less honourable than an English gentleman.

(e.) *Catholics and their Recusancy*.—Knowing the need and the demand for fuller and more precise information respecting the condition of English Catholics, living in England under Elizabeth and James the First, I have noticed every indictment of a Catholic priest for celebrating masses or tarrying unlawfully or doing any forbidden thing within her Highness's realm, against her crown, peace and dignity; every indictment of a Catholic gentlewoman or other person of inferior degree, for harbouring, comforting and aiding a Catholic priest in his violations of the existing law, or for wearing tokens imported into this country from the See of Rome; and every one of the many indictments of Catholics for trespasses and contempts, in forbearing to go to church, chapel, or any usual place of Common Prayer,—indictments



that, even in their present imperfect and fragmentary state, afford us the means for making at least a general estimate of the number, material strength, and religious thoroughness of the Catholics of Elizabethan Middlesex. It will of course be observed that these indictments exhibit numerous diversities and discrepancies in the descriptions of the offenders, and spelling of their names. As these diversities and discrepancies are interesting features, and no unimportant element of their historic testimony, I have been at pains to exhibit them in the entries of the calendar.

It may, however, be objected against any choice of documents for especial notice, that however trivial and unimportant, every indictment affords a unit to the sum of the particular class of offences to which it relates, and therefore yields an item of testimony, for the information of those inquirers, who would get a general view of the criminal activity of the county, and also ascertain the respective prevalence of the various crimes. Mindful of this, I have been gathering and shall continue to gather from the session-files the materials for a precise statement of the number of the indictments, found by grand juries throughout the period covered by my volumes, the number of indictments for each variety of crime found in each of the successive years, the number of individuals arraigned in each year, and the numbers of the persons who appear from the memoranda on the indictments to have put themselves 'Guilty,' to have been found 'Guilty' by trial, to have been acquitted, to have pleaded their clergy effectually, to have received the sovereign's pardon, or to have received sentence for their respective offences. This body of statistical information will be given in the last chapter of my next volume. Enough has been said of the fragmentary state of the imperfect series of files, to forewarn readers that this summary of the annals of crime in Middlesex from the third year of Edward the Sixth to the last year of James the First will be largely defective. But as there is no reason to suppose the circumstances, that have so greatly reduced the number and bulk of the files, were especially destructive of any particular class of indictments, the necessarily imperfect summary will afford reliable evidence as to the respective prevalence of the different kinds of crime throughout the whole period. On the other hand, from the summaries of the indictments, pertaining to those years of Elizabeth and James which give us comparatively perfect collections of sessions-files, readers will be able to form a general estimate of the amount of crime in the years whose rolls are few in number and attenuated by decay.

XV. *Dates*.—The two prime dates, in every perfect record of a crime coming to judicial cognizance, are the time at which the offence was committed and the day of the culprit's trial. With

respect to former and, in the majority of cases, by far the more important of these dates, it is seldom that an indictment noticed in this volume leaves the reader in uncertainty. Sometimes the decay or mutilation of a parchment has destroyed the evidence of this more important date. But the cases are few where an indictment fails to exhibit the year and day of the offence. This date, seldom missing, always precise when extant, and almost always more important than the date of trial, is the date prefacing each entry touching an indictment in the ensuing calendar. In cases where the offence may be said to have had two dates, from extending over a considerable period, like the trespasses and contempts of the Catholic recusants, the date of the commencement of the offence is the date given immediately before the entry that notices it. In the few cases where this rule is departed from, the contents and structure of the note will save the reader from misconception and confusion.

The date at the end of an entry is invariably the date of the session, endorsed on the particular file, that contains the particular document described in the entry. In the case of an indictment for felony in a Gaol-Delivery roll, it is also the approximate date of culprit's arraignment. The reader should, however, be cautious not to take this date as anything more than an approximate date. Sessions of Gaol-Delivery in Tudor England varied in length as they vary now-a-days from the number of prisoners to be delivered, the proportion of the culprits who spared the time and labour of Judges by putting themselves 'Guilty,' and the various circumstances that made it a long or short business to deal with the culprits who pleaded innocence and put themselves on the country. But whatever the number of days spent on the business of the session, only one of the days is noticed in the endorsement of a Gaol-Delivery roll, except in the cases of two or three of the Elizabethan files where two several days are mentioned. As to arraignments, the single date is all the less precise, because the one day given in the endorsement may be the day on which the commission of Gaol-Delivery was opened, or the day on which the delivery was finished: since it appears from the endorsements that it appeared a matter of indifference to successive Clerks of the Peace whether they mentioned the earlier or the later date. Even for this approximate date one often looks in vain to the back of a mutilated rolled file. Whilst very many of the fragmentary rolls have lost their wrappers, no inconsiderable proportion of them have also lost the writs which would enable an editor to assign the right dates to the attenuated bundles. Hence the numerous entries touching indictments, that give only the year or reign to which the files, in which they are preserved, pertain. In respect to notes of indictments that have no concluding date,

readers may assume the parchments to be "broken files,"—viz., documents which, through the breaking of a string, have passed from their proper bundles, under circumstances rendering it impossible to declare confidently the approximate date of the arraignment.—Further, in respect to the entries touching indictments, the reader may be reminded of what has already been said of the minutes put upon a large proportion of them by the Clerk of the Peace. Unless he bears in mind that these minutes relate to incidents subsequent—in some cases, years subsequent—to the gaol-deliveries to which the bills belong, perusers of the ensuing calendar may suspect editorial carelessness, where the editor has failed neither in circumspection nor in accuracy.

The initial date of every Recognizance, noticed in the ensuing pages, is invariably the date when the Recognizance was taken. In like manner, the date prefacing an entry touching an Inquisition-post-mortem is the day on which the inquest was taken. As in the case of an Indictment, the concluding date to an entry touching an Inquisition-post-mortem or a Recognizance is the date on the wrapper of the rolled file in which the document is preserved.

When, for economy of space, several documents (preserved in the same roll) are noticed in the same entry, they are placed in the entry in the same order in which they appear on the file.

XVI. *Diction and Orthography of the Calendar.*—In manipulating a large number of Latin documents into literature, not only for special students but also for persons who have either forgotten their Latin or never had any to forget, I have retained little of the barbarous language employed by lawyers of a former period in the composition of legal instruments. Here and there, for the better entertainment or fuller assurance of the special students, I have introduced brief passages of the more or less corrupt and contracted Latin; but in doing so I have not omitted to translate the Latin into English, whenever the interests of Latinless readers seemed to require me to do so.

It is more needful that I should speak of the antiquated English, largely used in my entries. It has been already stated that the Latin indictments are interspersed with scraps of English, and that a considerable proportion of the Latin recognizances have English endorsements or foot-notes in the mother-tongue. In weaving the English of these scraps, notes and endorsements into my entries, I have retained the obsolete spelling of the legal draughtsmen. Readers will therefore assume, on coming to English words of obsolete spelling in the ensuing pages, that they are words to be found in the writings under immediate consideration. This is to be assumed whether the words are given in, or without, inverted commas. When they are printed within inverted commas, the commas are to be regarded merely as

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31 JANUARY, 3 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem,  
taken within the County of Middlesex, on the body of

## ERRATA.

- (1.) p. 25, line 13, *for* "Nicholas" *read* "Michael."
- (2.) p. 141, line 7, *for* "Sir James" *read* "Sir John."
- (3.) p. 217, line 42, *for* "Thomas Winn's" *read* "John Winn's."

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the said day, Humfrey Gryffin late of the said city yoman stole a grey  
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viri ignoti*."—Also, three several True Bills that, at St. Martin's-in-the-  
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31 JANUARY, 3 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Philip Powley late of London gentleman there lying dead: With Verdict that he died within the gaol by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 6 April, 3 Edward VI.

8 MARCH, 3 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster, on view of the body of Robert Mason there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Robert Mason on the 5th inst. was in God's and the King's peace at Westminster, on the bridge called the Kynges Bridge, when he was assaulted by Anthony Fasby and John Watson, both late of London yomen, and that John Watson with his sword gave the said Robert Mason on the right side of his head a blow, of which he died on the 7th inst. G. D. R., 6 April, 3 Edward VI.

11 JULY, 3 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Pankryshe Church on the said day, Richard Warren late of Hyghholbourne butcher and Rychard Davyson late of Hughton co. York, stole a bey gelding, of the goods and chattels of Robert Pykering bocher.—Also, True Bill against the same two thieves for stealing, on the same day and at the same place, a lyght bey gelding of the goods and chattels of John Coke sadler. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Richard Warren and Rychard Davyson were sentenced to be hung. I. R., 16 Sept., 3 Edward VI.

1 NOVEMBER, 3 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Humfrey Gryffin late of the said city yoman stole a grey geldyng worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels "*cujusdam viri ignoti*."—Also, three several True Bills that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on 15 December, 3 Edward VI., Humfrey Gryffin late of London yoman, stole a cow "*coloris garled*" worth twenty-six

shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Goldhurst ; a cow "coloris branled" worth thirty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Robert Rede ; and a blak cow worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Mark Miller. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Humfrey Gryffin was sentenced to be hung. I. R., 14 Jan., 3 Edward VI.

16 NOVEMBER, 3 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Totnam High-crosse on the said day, Alice Cowland late of the said parish broke into the house of John Stowe and stole therefrom a worsted frocke worth thirty shillings, a worsted apron worth two shillings and eightpence, a pair of silver hooks and "tres assiculas argenti" worth four shillings and eightpence, and three smockes ten kercheves ten raoles and five neckerchevys worth twenty pence, and fifteen shillings in numbered money, of the goods and chattels and moneys of the said John. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Alice was reprieved because she was pregnant, and afterwards pleaded the King's general pardon. I. R., 14 Jan., 3 Edward VI.

28 NOVEMBER, 3 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Hollowey in the parish of Iselyngdon co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Browne late of London laborer broke into the close of Thomas Martyn and stole therefrom a bright bay gelding worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Thomas Martyn. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Browne was sentenced to be hung. I. R., 14 Jan., 3 Edward VI.

21 DECEMBER, 3 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Kentyshe towne co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Homes late of Castell Throoke co. Essex laborer broke into the close of Thomas Randeson (*sic*), and stole therefrom a whyte-gray gelding worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence.—Also, True Bill against Richard Homes late of Castelle Thooke (*sic*) co. Essex laborer, for stealing on 29 March 4 Edward VI. a bright bay gelding, of the goods and chattels of Richard Wylke, from the close of the said Richard at Kentyshe towne.—Also, True Bill that Richard Holmys, late of Greys Thorop (*sic*) co. Essex laborer, on 16 March 4 Edward VI. at Cantbynd Court co. Midd., stole a gryssell gelding worth twenty-two shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Radyson (*sic*). Putting himself 'Guilty,' Richard Homes *alias* Holmys was sentenced to be hung. G. D., 4 Edward VI.

— FEBRUARY, 4 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at . . . co. Midd. on view of the body of Robert Moygn *alias* Moune, "late dwellyng in the countie of Devonshire yoman," lying dead at Hackney : With Verdict that in the night of the 6th inst. the said Robert Moygn *alias* Moune was in God's and the King's peace at Hackeney, when Robert Hamlyng late of the said parish yoman assaulted the said Robert "gladiis et cultellis" and with



malice afore thought slew and murdered him. G. D. R., 23 May, 4 Edward VI.

8 MARCH, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, on the said day at Westminster co. Midd. to wit, in the court or hospice of the said Lord the king, John Keyffyn late of London yoman stole ten shillings in a purse from the person of John Rydgebelle, serjeant of the Lord King. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Keyffyn was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 23 May, 4 Edward VI.

24 MARCH, 4 EDWARD VI.—True bill that, at Highgate, co. Midd. on the said day, Antony Kendall of the said parish, yoman, obstructed a certain ancient public way within the Bishop of London's park, leading from Hyndon to Highegate, by enclosing the same way with ditches and fences and gates fitted with locks. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 4 Edward VI.

26 MARCH, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, on the said day John Palmer of the parish of St. Clement-Danes, without the bars of the New Temple, hosyer, and his wife Catherine, unlawfully and by force took possession of a certain house in the said parish belonging to Sir William Paget, knt., Lord Paget of Beaudesert, and having so disseized the said Lord of the said house still keep him out of it. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 4 Edward VI.

6 APRIL, 4 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of the Stround co. Midd. on the said day, on view of the body of Peter Apulgard, late of said parish, tapyster and servant of Henry Rolff of the same parish inholder; With Verdict that the said Peter Apulgard died in the hospice of the said Henry Rolff of "the pestylance or plagg" on 10 Nov., 3 Edward VI.—The greatness of the interval between the death and the inquest is noteworthy. G. D. R., 23 May, 4 Edward VI.

16 MAY, 4 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Stratford-Bowe on view of the body of Anthony Skeydall late of the said parish, maryner, there lying dead: With Verdict that on the 11th inst., Nicholas Vykkeres late of Popler yoman, *alias* Nicholas Vykkeres late the servant of Bartholomew Skerne of Popler gentleman, and of London citizen and merchant, was in God's and the King's peace, in the highway called Four Myle Strete at Bromeley co. Midd., when he was assaulted "*gladiis et cultellis*" by the said Anthony Skeydall; and that after vainly essaying to withdraw from his assailant, the said Nicholas Vykkeres, in lawful self-defence and for the preservation of his life, with a staffe gave the said Antony Skeydall on his head a mortal blow, of which he died on the 12th inst. G. D. R., 23 May, 4 Edward VI.

10 JUNE, 4 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken

at Stratford Bowe co. Midd. on view of the body Ralph Crofte *alias* Croftes of the said parish maryner, *alias* Ralph Crofte or Croftes "one of the Kynges Maiesties Blake Balye" there lying dead : With Verdict that, about 9 p.m. of the 25th of May last past, the said Ralph Crofte was at Stratford Bowe in the highway, in God's and the King's peace, when Sebastian Gowtyer, John Pychen and John Dycker, all three late of Stratford Bowe maryners, assaulted the said Ralph with the intention of murdering him, and that John Gowtyer with his sword gave the same Ralph Crofte on the right side of his body a mortal blow, of which he then and there instantly died. G. D. R., 8 Aug., 4 Edward VI.

19 JULY, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Knyght-landes in the parish of Eston co. Midd., Thomas Lye late of London yoman stole a baye horse worth six pounds, of the goods and chattels of John Savage gentleman. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Lye was sentenced to be hung. G. D., . . . , 4 Edward VI.

3 AUGUST, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Geoffrey Harryson, bailiff of the liberty of the city of Westminster, gentleman, by colour of his said office took extortionately from Margaret Bothe gentlewoman ten pounds in numbered money. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 4 Edward VI.

11 AUGUST, 4 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Stround co. Midd., on view of the body of John Chrystean *alias* Gyllman late of Stround aforesaid, yoman, *alias* John Gyllman Bachelor son of Thomas Gent "de Stround predicta" gentleman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, at about five p.m. of the 28th of July last past, the said John Chrystean was at Stround aforesaid in the highway, in God's and the King's peace, when Thomas Morecrofte, late of the parish of Stround aforesaid, yoman, *alias* Thomas Morecrofte one of the constables of the same parish of Stround within the liberty of the Duchy of Lancaster, assaulted the same John Chrystean "gladiis et cultellis" with the intention of murdering him, and with "a shorte dagger" gave him a blow, of which he then and there instantly died. G. D. R., 12 Sept., 4 Edward VI.

19 AUGUST, 4 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Strond co. Midd. on view of the body of William Wreyke late of Islyngton labourer, there lying dead : With Verdict that on the 18th of July last past the said William Wreyke was at his dwelling-place at Islyngton in God's and the King's peace, when Elizabeth Wreyke late of Islyngton spynster came in upon him and assaulted him with intention of murdering him, and with her hands seized his neck, and strangled and broke his neck, so that he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 12 Sept., 4 Edward VI.

2 SEPTEMBER, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Richard Davys and John Elwoode, both late of London yomen, broke into the dwelling-house of Barnard Sandeford clerk, and stole therefrom two double-gilt silver cups with one cover worth five pounds, a double-gilt silver 'salt' with a cover worth three pounds, three silver cups worth three pounds, a dozen spoons worth four pounds, a . . . of worstede worth thirty shillings, and two rings worth forty shillings, of the goods and 'chattels of the said Barnard Sandeford. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' both thieves were sentenced to be hung. G.D., . . . Oct., 5 Edward VI.

3 SEPTEMBER, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Saint Johnstrete co. Midd. on the said day, John Pylson clerk stole a whyte gelding worth three pounds six shillings and eightpence, a saddle worth four shillings, and a bridle worth two shillings and fourpence, of the goods and chattels of Christofer Tompson clerk. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Pylson was sentenced to be hung. G. D., . . . Oct., 5 Edward VI.

6 SEPTEMBER, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Endfeld co. Midd. on the said day, William Sartent late of Halywell gentleman and William Romford of Endfeld aforesaid, with divers unknown persons, made unlawful entry on a messuage belonging to William Budder and disseised him of the said messuage, and having thus expelled him from it unlawfully still keep him out of it. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 4 Edward VI.

24 SEPTEMBER, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Northcette co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Phyllypps late of Breknock co. Breknock in Wales gentleman, Morgan Thomas late of London boucher, and Lewis Joons late of Breknock aforesaid assaulted a certain unknown man, and that Morgan Thomas with a club gave the same unknown man on his head a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D., . . . , 4 Edward VI.

17 OCTOBER, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Maribone co. Midd. on the said day, John Bennet and Robert Parsons, both late of London taylours, assaulted and beat John Awood and stole from his person five shillings of numbered money. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' John Bennet and Robert Parsons were both sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 4 Edward VI.

22 OCTOBER, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Notynghyll co. Midd. on the said day, John Browne, Antony Browne, and . . . Kyghley, all late of London yomen, assaulted Richard Felowe the servant of one Thomas Symeon at Notynghyll, beat and maltreated him so that his life was despaired of, and robbed him of forty-eight yards of linen cloth worth forty-seven shillings, twelve yards of hol-lande cloth worth twenty-four shillings, "iii dosens panni linei voc'

osynbriggas ad valenciam xxis.”, a piece of woollen cloth called “Browne freys” worth forty-five shillings, a piece of kanvas worth twenty shillings, “ii dosens caligarum voc’ women’s hose ad valenciam xxxiis.”, and six yards of red woollen cloth worth eighteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Thomas. The three robbers put themselves ‘Guilty’: John Browne was reprieved without judgement; the other two were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 4 Edward VI.

1 NOVEMBER, 4 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Charterous-lane co. Midd. in the night of the said day between ten and eleven p.m., Laurence Broun late of London maryner broke burglariously into the bedchamber of Thomas Breke gentleman (the said Thomas Breke and his family being in bed), and stole therefrom a linen handkerchief worth twelve pence, and an iron key worth eightpence. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ Laurence Broun was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 4 Edward VI.

23 NOVEMBER, 4 EDWARD VI.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Strond co. Midd. on view of the body of Thomas Malowe late of Estsmythefeld yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, about 4 p.m. on the 17th inst., a certain Simon Foggetour *alias* Wyllyams late of the said parish of Estsmythefeld maryner was at the same parish in God’s and the King’s peace, when Thomas Malowe “gladiis et cultellis” assaulted the same Simon Foggetour *alias* Wyllyams, who fled and withdrew himself from his assailant “vsque ad quandam paludem vocat’ Cl . . . . Banke Payle situatam et existentem in communibus campis vocatis Whyte Chappell Feldes,” beyond which he could not retreat without danger of his life; and that in the ensuing affray, thus forced upon him, the said Simon Foggetour, fighting in lawful self-defence and for the preservation of his life, with a knyfe gave Thomas Malowe on the left side of his body a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 4 Edward VI.

7 DECEMBER, 4 EDWARD VI.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on view of the body of Robert Hackett late of London “costermonger,” at the said city of Westminster lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 25th of November last past and about 11 a.m. of that day, the said Robert Hackett was at Westminster in God’s and the King’s peace in a place called Thevyng Lane when he was assaulted “gladiis et cultellis” by John (*sic*) Lytell late of Westminster barbour who, with a certain sword called “a woodeknyfe,” gave the said Robert Hackett on his left leg above the knee a mortal wound, of which he then and there died instantly.—Also, the True Bill against William (*sic*) Lytell for murdering Robert Hackett at the time and place and in the manner set forth in the Inquisition. Putting himself

Guilty,' William Lytell was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 4 Edward VI.

18 MAY, 5 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, on the highway at Hayes co. Midd. on the said day, William Maggott, Robert Maggott and John Stokeley, all late of London yomen, assaulted Richard Allen, yoman of the King's Guard, and robbed him of forty shillings in numbered money. The three robbers put themselves 'Guilty'; William Maggott and Robert Maggott were sentenced to be hung: John Stokeley received the King's pardon. G. D. . . . Oct., 5 Edward VI.

27 MAY, 5 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Knightes-bridge on the said day, Hugh Matynson late of Westminster laborer stole three pieces of linen cloth called "doble raylles" worth ten shillings, and two linen kercheys worth five shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Dyrvall. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Hugh Matynson was sentenced to be hung. G. D. . . . Oct., 5 Edward VI.

11 JULY, 5 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Whetley late of London yoman stole a baye horse worth six pounds, a saddle worth eight shillings and two "clookes" worth thirty-eight shillings, of the goods and chattels of James Frauncis gentleman. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Whetly was sentenced to be hung. G. D., . . . Oct., 5 Edward VI.

22 JULY, 5 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Hoggesdon co. Midd. on the said day, Simon Lambart and William Adams, both late of London yomen, stole "a clooke" worth five pounds, two "cootes" worth ten pounds, three doublets of . . . worth six pounds, a pair of breeches worth twenty shillings, a shyrt worth ten shillings, and nine pounds in numbered money. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Adams was sentenced to be hung: Putting himself 'Guilty,' Simon Lambart asked for the book and read like a clerk. G. D., . . . Oct., 5 Edward VI.

22 AUGUST, 5 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Isoldon co. Midd. on the said day, William Barkly late of London yoman stole a sorreld gelding worth . . . , of the goods and chattels of a certain unknown man. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Barkly was sentenced to be hung. G. D., . . . Oct., 5 Edward VI.

23 AUGUST, 5 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Isoldon co. Midd. on the said day, George Prescott late of London yoman, and William Prescott late of Calais yoman stole a sorreld gelding worth five pounds and a greye gelding worth five pounds, of the goods and chattels of John Wyberd. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' George and William were sentenced to be hung, but before execution received the King's pardon. G. D., . . . Oct., 5 Edward VI.

20 OCTOBER, 5 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, on the said day and before and afterwards, John Tredway of Stanwell co. Midd. taylor passed his life luxuriously to the hurtful example of all the King's other lieges, and against the same King's peace (*luxuriose vitam suam degit in perniciosum exemplum omnium aliorum ligeorum dicti domini Regis ac contra pacem ejusdem domini Regis*). G. S. P. R., Easter, 6 Edward VI.

6 NOVEMBER, 5 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on view of the body of Hugh Heigham yeoman, late the servant of Thomas Warren of the said parish esq., there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 22nd of October last past between three and five p.m., Hugh Judde late of London yoman, and late the servant of Sir Ralph Rowlett knt. of the aforesaid parish, was in God's and the Queen's peace in the same parish, when the aforesaid Hugh Heigham "*gladiis et cultellis*" assaulted him, and forced upon him an affray, in which the same Hugh Judde, fighting in self-defence and for the preservation of his life, with his sword gave Hugh Heigham on the left side of his body a mortal blow, of which he died on the said 22nd of the last month. G. D. R., . . . Nov., 5 Edward VI.

18 DECEMBER, 5 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Whytechappell co. Midd. in the night of the said day about ten p.m., William Hyll *alias* Nyghtyngale late of Robertes Bridge co. Sussex glover broke into the house of . . . Hall glover, and stole therefrom sixty pounds of wool worth . . . , and "four dosen of felles" worth three pounds. Refusing to put himself 'Guilty' or 'Not Guilty,' William Hill was committed to the peine forte et dure. At the foot of the bill appears this memorandum, "*Pd. Will's noluit ponere se ipsum in jur' illam sed recusavit resp' sc'd'm legem. Ideo judicium dat' est p' Cur' scz, fort et dure.*" G. D. R., 21 Jan., 5 Edward VI.

5 JANUARY, 5 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at the Stroond co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Foster late of London yoman entered the house of Henry the Earl of Arrundell and stole therefrom "*quadraginta sex pisces salsar' vocat' haberdynes*" worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Earl. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Foster was sentenced to be hung. G. D., 21 Jan., 5 Edward VI.

22 FEBRUARY, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Hoggesden co. Midd. on the said day, Alice Adams late of London spynster broke into the house of John Shepherd at Hoggesdon, and stole therefrom "*a womans kertyll of Russell worsted superbodied with damaske*" worth forty shillings, "*unum par manicarum de seric' voc' tawin damaske ad valenc' vs.,*" a piece of gold called "*an olde ryall*" worth fifteen shillings, a piece of gold called "*a di-soueraign*" worth ten

shillings, a piece of gold called "an old aungell" worth ten shillings, eight pieces of linen worth six shillings and eightpence, and sixteen shillings in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of the said John Shepherd. Alice Adams put herself 'Guilty' and was remanded on account of her pregnancy. G. D. R., . . . . , 6 Edward VI.

26 FEBRUARY, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Chartterhouse Churchyarde co. Midd. on the said day, Alice Nedham late of London spinster stole a piece of gold called "a doble duckett," a piece of gold called "a French Crowne," and a piece of gold called "a Cruesadowe," of the goods and chattels of an unknown man. Po se non cull nec. G. D., . . . . , 6 Edward VI.

14 MARCH, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's-Danes without the bars of the New Temple on the said day, Philip Danyell late of London yoman entered the house or hospice of Clementes Inne, and stole therefrom sixty pieces "vasorum electri anglice vocat' pewter vessels" worth four pounds, of the goods and chattels of the Fellows of the said Hospice, then in the custody of Leonerd Stephenson, Principal of the same hospice. G. D. R., 30 April, 6 Edward VI.

29 MARCH, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Stebunheth co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Browne late of Stebunheth aforesaid yoman entered the house of George Lyster, and stole therefrom a linen sheet worth eight shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Balton of London citizen and goldsmith. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Browne was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 3 June, 6 Edward VI.

6 APRIL, 6 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on view of the body of John Rypley late of the said city yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on 8 Nov. 5 Edward VI. about ten p.m., in a certain place within the said city called "the lytle Sent Tuarie," a certain Thomas Rugg late of the said city yoman was in God's and the King's peace, when the said John Rypley "gladiis et cultellis" assaulted him, and forced upon him an affray, in which the said Thomas Rugg, fighting in self-defence and for the preservation of his life, with a staff gave the same John Ripley on the fore part of his head a mortal blow, of which he died on the 22nd day of the same November. [Here again the length of the time between the death and the inquest is noteworthy.] G. D. R., 30 April, 6 Edward VI.

25 APRIL, 6 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquest, taken at Westminster on view of the body of Richard Jorden late of the said city yoman : With Verdict that, on the 26th of May 5 Edward VI. at Grenewiche co. Kent, in a certain place called "the backeside of the late Freer House," William Evans late of Est Grenewiche yoman with a sword

gave the said Richard Jorden a mortal blow, of which he languished from the said 26 May 5 Edward VI. to the 17th of June then next following, on which last-named day the said Richard died of the said blow. [The length of time between the death and the inquest is remarkable]. G. D. R., 30 April, 6 Edward VI.

28 APRIL, 6 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquest, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Elizabeth Towers late of Suthwarke co. Surrey spynster, there lying dead: With Verdict that she died within the gaol on the day aforesaid by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 30 April, 6 Edward VI.

28 APRIL, 6 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Robert Carden late of St. Katerins co. Midd. yoman: With Verdict that he died within the gaol on the said day by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 30 April, 6 Edward VI.

20 JUNE TO 5 SEPTEMBER, 6 EDWARD VI.—Imperfect Roll (twenty membranes, stitched together in book-fashion) of three hundred and twelve Victuallers' Recognizances, taken on 5 June or on days of the three next following months, before Sir Roger Cholmeley knt. and Ralph Cholmeley esq., Justices of the Peace, in accordance with the requirements of the Statute 5 & 6 Edward VI. c. 25, which ordained "that none after the first Day of May next coming shall be admitted or suffered to keep any common Alehouse or Tipplinghouse, but such as shall be thereunto admitted and allowed in the open Sessions of the Peace, or else by two Justices of the Peace, whereof the one to be of the *Quorum*; And that the said Justices of the Peace, or two of them (whereof the one to be of the *Quorum*) shall take Bond and Surety from Time to Time by Recognisance of such as shall be admitted and allowed hereafter to keep any common Alehouse or Tiplinghouse, as well for and against the using of unlawful Games, as also for the using and Maintenance of good Order and Rule to be had and used within the same, as by their Discretion shall be thought necessary and convenient:" each of the three hundred and twelve persons, thus admitted to keep an Alehouse, being bound in the sum of ten pounds, together with two sureties, bound in the sum of five pounds each. Disappointingly silent on matters especially interesting to antiquaries, the Recognizances in no single case gave the name, sign or precise locality of an Alehouse; but in giving the names of the parishes or districts of parishes, in which the bound victuallers were licensed to follow their trade, the Roll affords the data for the following table of the number of taverns, licensed in forty-six parishes or districts of Middlesex in the 6th year of Edward the Sixth.



MIDDLESEX ALEHOUSES *temp.* EDWARD VI.

	No. OF HOUSES.		No. OF HOUSES.
1. Stratfurds-atte-Bowe . . .	13	No. of Alehouses carried over	179
2. City of Westminster . . .	42	23. St. Martin's nigh Charing	
3. Whytechappell . . . .	12	Crosse . . . . .	16
4. Hakney . . . . .	7	24. Shorediche . . . . .	9
5. Bednall Grene . . . . .	4	25. Mylende . . . . .	5
6. Highgate . . . . .	5	26. Marybone . . . . .	1
7. Isseldon . . . . .	13	27. Kentyshetowne . . . .	1
8. Grenestret in the parish of Kyntyshtowne . . .	1	28. Stoke-Newington . . .	8
9. Hoxton . . . . .	7	29. Popler . . . . .	6
10. Blakwall . . . . .	1	30. Freering-Barnet . . . .	2
11. Muswell Hill juxta Har- nyngsey . . . . .	1	31. Lymehouse . . . . .	7
12. Saynt Clementes-Danes within the Libertie of Westminster . . . .	10	32. Stebenhithe . . . . .	9
13. Paddington . . . . .	3	33. Clerkenwell . . . . .	10
14. St. Clementes within the Duchey . . . . .	13	34. Saynt Johns-Strete . .	12
15. Saint Gyles-in-the-Feilde.	11	35. St. Katherin's . . . . .	8
16. Norton Follye . . . . .	5	36. Chancery Lane . . . .	11
17. Hampsted . . . . .	3	37. Smithfild <i>and</i> St. Kathe- rin's . . . . .	11
18. Hollowaye . . . . .	3	38. Fynchley . . . . .	3
19. Highe Holbourne . . .	14	39. Harnesey . . . . .	3
20. Fynnesbury, Whyte-Cross Strete . . . . .	2	40. Knight Bridge . . . . .	1
21. Grubbstrete . . . . .	2	41. Westburne-in-the parish of Paddington . . . .	1
22. Golding Lane . . . . .	7	42. Willesdon . . . . .	3
		43. Kensington . . . . .	3
		44. Greys-Inne-Lane . . . .	1
		45. Wallock Barne . . . . .	1
		46. Kilburn . . . . .	1
	179		312

Of the 312 persons, thus licensed to keep taverns, twenty-two were women, designated in their respective Recognizances "widow" or "spinster." In their Recognizances the men, admitted to Alehouses, are invariably styled yeomen (spelt 'yomen'),—the comprehensive and elastic designation, that in Tudor London covered all the various sorts and conditions of men, who neither bore arms, nor followed a profession affording them at least a colour of gentility, nor subsisted by any known and lawful avocation that gave its followers a more precise and distinctive description.

7 NOVEMBER, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, on the said day at Monken Hadley co. Midd., Roger Daldorne laborer, Thomas Daldorne yoman *alias* laborer, and Richard Misterley serving-man, all three of Monken Hadley aforesaid, stole a sheep worth three shillings, of the goods and chattels of an unknown man. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Roger Daldorne received the King's pardon by Letters Patent dated 4 March, 7 Edward VI. Thomas Daldorne was at large. G. D., . . . . Edward VI.

30 NOVEMBER, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Holbourne co. Midd. on the said day, William Harris and John Warren, both late of London yomen, stole a black gelding worth four pounds, of the goods and chattels of Richard Whalley esq. Both prisoners put themselves 'Guilty.' G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

2 DECEMBER, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Moyses Bartlett late of London yoman, stole a quarter of an angell of gold worth two shillings and sixpence, of the goods and chattels of an unknown man. Clerical memorandum at the head of the bill, "Po se cul ca null petit libru' leg' vt cl'icus vst in man' et committ ordinario." He puts himself 'Guilty,' has no chattels, asks for the book, reads like a clerk and is delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

6 DECEMBER, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Davyd late of the said city yoman stole a leather purse worth fourpence, and two shillings of numbered money being in the same purse, of the goods chattels and moneys of an unknown man: and that William Holland, knowing him to have committed the said felony, on the same day harboured and aided the same Thomas Davyd. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Davyd was sentenced to be hung. No memorandum of sentence on William Holland, who also put himself 'Guilty.' G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

4 JANUARY, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Chelsey co. Midd. on the said day, Anne Clayburn late of Chelsey aforesaid spynster stole "vndecim duoden' fili vocat' twyne" of the goods and chattels of Thomas Saunders. Memorandum at the head of the bill, "Po se non cull nec r' q<sup>ta</sup>." Puts herself 'Not Guilty,' does not retract: Acquitted. G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

4 JANUARY, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Charterhouse Churchyard within St. Sepulchre's parish co. Midd., between six and seven p.m. of the said day, Thomas Wylson, John Warren, John White and Thomas Brysco *alias* Bustread *alias* Bustead, all late of London yomen, assaulted Adam Yonge with the intention of murdering him, when he was in God's and the King's peace, and that

Thomas Brisco with a sword gave the said Adam Yonge on the right part of his head a mortal blow, of which he died on the 6th of the aforesaid January. Thomas Willson, John Warren and Thomas Brysco "po se cul ca null"; no clerical memorandum over John White's name. G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

8 JANUARY, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at "le Strond bridge" co. Midd. Edward Nele and Thomas Denny, both late of London yomen, stole a dagger worth four shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Rafton cutler. Both prisoners put themselves 'Guilty.' G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

9 JANUARY, 6 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hendon co. Midd., on view of the body Nicholas Eretage, aged nine years: With Verdict that on the 7th inst. the said Nicholas, being the servant of Robert Brent of the said parish, was in the act of carrying water in an erthen pott containing a gallon, at a pond in the rear of his said master's house, when by mischance he stumbled and fell into the pond and was drowned. G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

10 JANUARY, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, in the highway at Aye Hill in St. Margaret's parish in Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Stowre yoman, Richard Wood yoman, and Thomas Menwell gentleman, all late of London, assaulted Robert Elvyshe and robbed him of ten pence in numbered money. The three robbers put themselves 'Guilty': Thomas Menwell received the King's pardon, by Letters Patent dated on the 2nd of the ensuing February. G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

12 JANUARY, 6 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Charterhouse Church-Yarde in St. Sepulchre's parish co. Midd., on view of the body of Adam Yong late of London gentleman: With Verdict that, on the 4th inst. between six and seven p.m., the said Adam Yong was in God's and the King's peace in the aforesaid Churchyard, when Thomas Wylson, John Warren *alias* Whyte, and Thomas Brisco *alias* Busted *alias* Bustredd, all late of London yomen, assaulted him with the intention of murdering him, and that Thomas Brisco aforesaid with a sword called a "too-edgydd swordd" gave the said Adam Yong on the right part of his head a mortal blow of which he died on the 6th day of the same month. G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

13 JANUARY, 6 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, John Evan *alias* Hewes late of the said city yoman stole a little piece of linen cloth called "a woman's raylle" worth two shillings, of the goods and chattels of Juliana Sendyng, in the keeping of William Mason *alias* Waltam. Putting himself 'Guilty,'

John Evan *alias* Hewes was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 6 Edward VI.

26 FEBRUARY, 7 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's Danes without the bars of the New Temple on the said day, Henry Manneryng late of London yoman broke into the house of Thomas Wrothe, and stole therefrom a linen sheet worth two shillings, a dozen leather purses worth twenty pence, four rings of gilt copper worth eight pence, "unum par calligarum de panno laneo coloris nigri pulled oute with sarsenett" worth ten shillings, and a black velvet coat worth ten pounds, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Acland esq.—Also, True Bill against Henry Maynwaryng late of London yoman, *alias* Henry Maynwaryng late of London gentleman, for breaking burglariously, in the night of 26 Feb., 7 Edward VI. into the dwellinghouse of Thomas Wrothe at St. Clement's Danes, and stealing therefrom "unum diploidem vocat' a wast-dublett" worth two shillings, two "velvet wast gyrdles" worth three shillings, two sheets worth ten shillings, and "unum ornamentum de cerico vocat' a Frenche Whoodd ad valenciam xxvis. viiid.," of the goods and chattels of Thomas Acland esq.—At the bill's foot "Po se Cul ca null," without any memorandum of sentence. G. D., . . . . Feb., 7 Edward VI.

30 MARCH, 7 EDWARD VI.—True Bill that, at White Chappell co. Midd. on the said day, John Toolye late of London pulter stole a grey gelding worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Rooper esq. G. D. R., . . . ., 7 Edward VI.

11 APRIL, 7 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Cecilia Style spyenster: With Verdict that she died within the Gaol on the afore-said day by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., . . . ., 7 Edward VI.

14 APRIL, 7 EDWARD VI.—True Bill, that James Mayewe, Thomas Mayewe and Thomas Baker, all late of London yomen, on the afore-said day, entered the dwelling-house of Thomas Barryson of Houndeslowe co. Midd., and stole therefrom nine ells of blue cloth of the value of four pounds, a blue tunic worth eighteen shillings, two pairs of black velvet shoes worth thirteen shillings and eightpence, a dagger worth twelve shillings, and an ell of dark kersey, of the goods and chattels of a certain Thomas Hody esquire at Houndeslowe. G. D. R., . . . ., 7 Edward VI.

23 APRIL, 7 EDWARD VI.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Chancery Lane co. Midd., on view of the body of John Jubye late of London yoman: With Verdict that, about five p.m. on the 14th of March last past, Hugh Erthe late of London yoman was in St. Dunstan's parish without the bars of the New Temple, in God's and the

King's peace, when he was assaulted "*gladiis baculis et cultellis*" by the said John Jubye, from whom he retreated as far as the "caynell or gutter" in the said parish; and that, in the affray thus forced upon him, Hugh Erthe fighting in lawful self-defence and for the preservation of his life, with "a two edged sworde" gave the same John Jubye on his left leg under the knee a mortal blow, of which he died on the 4th day of the present April. G. D. R., . . . , 7 Edward VI.

6 MAY, 7 EDWARD VI.—True bill that, at Golding lane co. Midd. on the said day, John Irysshe *alias* Ireland *alias* Musgrave stole a woman's gown worth thirty shillings, a velvet 'partelet' a sylver pynne and pair of silver hooks—worth thirteen shillings and fourpence, a woman's "kyrtyll and petycote" worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence, "vnam togam nocturnam vocat' a nyght gowne" worth thirteen shillings and fourpence, a pair of upper hose worth two shillings, and a woman's smock and three "handcarchers" worth three shillings and four pence, of the goods and chattels of Robert Pytman.—Po se cull ca null: no memorandum of sentence. G. D. R., . . . , 7 Edward VI.

29 AUGUST, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, at High Holborn co. Midd. on the said day, John Phelipp of Bysshoppestles co. Devon yoman, stole and carried off a bay gelding worth twenty shillings, and a graye gelding worth twenty shillings, "*de bonis et catallis cujusdam hominis ignoti.*" I. R., 23 Sept., 1 Mary.

16 SEPTEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, at Stanmere the Lesse co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Wyllond late of London yoman, stole a crowne of five shillings, a silver ring worth twelve pence, a payr of sylver hooks worth two shillings and sixpence, a red lether purse worth one penny, and three shillings and eightpence half-penny, of the goods and chattels and moneys of a certain unknown woman. . . . I. R., 23 Sept., 1 Mary.

29 SEPTEMBER, 1 MARY.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Chidley, esq. J.P., of . . . . Case of Strond co. Midd. stationer and Thomas Benett of the same Strond barbour, in the sum of five pounds each, and George Jackson of Strond aforesaid bytmaker in the sum of six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence: For the appearance of the said George Jackson at the next General Sessions of the Peace, and for his good conduct in the mean time towards all persons, and more especially towards John Buttery of Strond bytmaker. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 1 Mary.

1 NOVEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, at Harnesey co. Midd. on

the said day, Nicholas Eve of London draper stopt a fowte way leading from Heyghgate to the parish church of Harnesey aforesaid, "jacentem ibidem circa Crutche Ende in parochia predicta." I. R., 9 May, 1 Mary.

2 NOVEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day, Robert Burbage gentleman, Roger Hill yoman, Richard Whyte yoman, all three of Heisse co. Midd. together with fourteen unknown persons, in warlike manner assembled riotously in the certain messuage of six acres of arable land and wood with appurtenant closes of Roger Grene at Heisse aforesaid, and then and there assaulted and beat the said Roger Grene, so that his life was despaired of. S. P. R., . . . 1 Mary.

2 NOVEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, John Lyn senr. yoman, John Lyn junr. yoman, Brigetta Carden gentilwoman, Roger Skyers servingman, Richard Pygg servingman, John Ebb husbondman, John Taylor husbondman, and John Yomens waterman, all of Popler, with unknown persons to the number of sixteen, assembled riotously and made unlawful and violent entry upon and into a messuage in Popler aforesaid, belonging to John Maynerd of London mercer, and called the Mener Place of Popler. I. R., 2 December, 1 Mary.

2 NOVEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, John Lyn senr. yoman, John Lyn junr. yoman, Brigetta Carden gentilwoman, Roger Skyers servingman, Richard Pygg servingman, John Ebb husbondman, Edward Boucher husbondman, George Sheperd husbondman, John Taylour husbondman, John Yomans waterman, with unknown persons to the number of sixteen, arrayed and armed in warlike manner, assembled riotously on the said day, and made unlawful and violent entry into the close and house, called the Mener House of Popler, belonging to John Maynerd of London mercer, and then and there assaulted, beat and wounded John Maynerd aforesaid, his wife Elianora, Thomas Ivey, Thomas Sharp, William Ryddall and Thomas Oxeman. I. R., 2 December, 1 Mary.

7 NOVEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, at Islyngton co. Midd. on the said day, Roger Swynborne, William Barnaby, Owen Moryce, William Bedfordth and William Smyth, all late of London yomen, assaulted John Creswell and robbed him of thirty-six shillings in numbered money. All five robbers put themselves 'Guilty.' I. R., 19 Nov., 1 Mary.

14 NOVEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day at Shor-dyche, Edward Heyg late of London yoman stole and carried off a bay gelding worth twenty marks, a green carpett worth twenty shillings, a piece of hangyngs containing twelve yards of red and yellow Say worth fifteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of

Thomas Champnes at Shordyche. Edward Heyg put himself 'G uity' I. R., 19 Nov., 1 Mary.

29 NOVEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day at Tottenham, George Thomson late of Wolwyche co. Kent bocher and Edward Pearson late Gelston co. Hertford bryckmaker, stole and carried off three red oxen, worth fifty shillings each, of the goods and chattels of John Blacknolle of London bocher; the said oxen then being in a certain piece of pasture called Busshehangers in the said parish of Tottenham. I. R., 19 Jan., 1 Mary.

1 DECEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day at Shoredyche, John Hill of London yoman stole and carried away two yards of woollen cloth of a violet colour worth sixteen shillings, a frese tunic worth five shillings, a pair of white stockings worth three shillings and fourpence, "*unum par caligarum vocat' netherstocks coloris albi*" worth two shillings, and three yards of white woollen cloth worth four shillings, of the goods and chattels of a certain unknown person at Shordyche aforesaid. I. R., 19 Jan., 1 Mary.

9 DECEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, at Drayton co. Midd. on the said day, Giles Feverell late of London yoman, stole six oxen worth thirty shillings each, of the goods and chattels of Sir William Pagett knt., Lord Pagett. I. R., 19 Jan., 1 Mary.

24 DECEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day, in the highway between Shoredyche and Kyngeslond, Philip Predie yoman, and Henry Rowle yoman, both late of London, took and stole from the person of Robert Seymer two linen bags worth ninepence each, a man's hat worth two shillings and fourpence (*unum pileum virilem precii iis. iiii℥.*), and two salt fishes worth two shillings, of the goods and chattels of a certain . . . Seymer, father of the said Robert. Po se cul. I. R., 19 Jan., 1 Mary.

28 DECEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, at Muswell Hill co. Midd. on the said day, Elizabeth Cole late of Sowthwarke co. Surrey spynter broke into and entered the mansion-house of Thomas Wotton, and stole therefrom a woman's petticoat (*tunicellam*) of red colour worth thirteen shillings, another "*tunicellam muliebrem*" worth eight shillings, and a woman's frocke worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Thomas Wotton. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Elizabeth Cole pleaded pregnancy. I. R., 19 Jan., 1 Mary.

30 DECEMBER, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, at Kentyshtowne co. Midd. on the said day, Hugh Myller late of St. Albons co. Hertford stole a red ox and a black ox, worth thirty-three shillings and four-pence each, and a red cow worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Richard Revc. Po se cul. I. R., 19 Jan., 1 Mary.

4 JUNE, 1 MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at

Uxbridge co. Midd., on view of the body of Thomas Alleyn, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 31 May last past at Uxbridge aforesaid, John Tyrrell, late of Chalfount St. Peter co. Bucks, yoman, was in God's and the Queen's peace, when the aforesaid Thomas Alleyn "*vi et armis viz. gladiis*" assaulted him with the intention of slaying him, and that, after doing his utmost to withdraw from the affray thus forced upon him, John Tyrrell, fighting in lawful self-defence, with a forrest-byll gave Thomas Alleyn on the right ride of his head a mortal blow, of which he died on the 3rd of the instant June. G. D. R., . . . . 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

20 JUNE, 1 MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Radclyff co. Midd. on view of the body of Robert Wanles maryner, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 10th inst. at Radclyff aforesaid, the said Robert Wanles died by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 25 Sept., 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

27 JUNE, 1 MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day, at Harrowe-super-montem, Morgan Tracye late of Harrowe-super-montem aforesaid stole forty-four shillings in numbered money, being in a purse of leather worth one penny, of the goods, chattels and moneys of John A' Probert. I. R., . . . . 1 & 2 Philip and Mary.

28 JUNE, 1 MARY. Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Isoldon co. Midd. on view of the body of Thomas Cole carter, there lying dead: With Verdict that, in the highway at Isoldon aforesaid on the 1st inst., the same Thomas was in a wagon sitting on a kylderkyne full of beer, when he fell asleep and so sleeping fell by mischance off the kylderkyne "*inter epirediam vocat'* bytwene the Rayve Stayves" at the back of the wagon, with such violence that his head was crushed. G. D. R., 25 Sept., 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

8 JULY, 2 MARY.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Jane Drew late of Westminster spinster broke into the house of Thomas Prendergert at Westminster, and stole therefrom a woollen cloak of shepe-russet color worth six shillings, and a little red woollen tunic worth six shillings, "*vnam tunicellam vocatam A Warte de panno laneo coloris Russett ad valenciam iiii. iiii.*," and nine shillings in numbered money in a leather-purse worth a half-penny, of the goods chattels and moneys of the said Thomas Prendergert. . . . Putting herself 'Guilty,' Jane Drewe pleaded her pregnancy. I. R., 29 Aug., 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

8 JULY, 2 MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Popler co. Midd. on view of the body of Elizabeth Averye spinster, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the same 8th of July, Elizabeth Averye aforesaid at the instigation of the devil hung herself with a piece of rope, worth a halfpenny. G. D. R., 25 Sept., 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.



8 JULY, 2 MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Tutehill Strete in the Liberty of the city of Westminster, on view of the body of Richard Hale *alias* Hales, late of the said city yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 17th of May last past, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields near Charyng Crosse, Laurence Coottes late of Westminster yoman was in God's and the Queen's peace, in a certain place there under the wall called "Seynt James Newe Parke Wall," and in the highway there leading to "le Hyde Parke Corner," when Richard Hale "*gladiis baculis et cultellis*" assaulted him with the intention of wounding him; and that, after withdrawing from the same Richard Hale even to a ditch of water, lying within the aforesaid highway, near the aforesaid "Seynt Jamez Newe Parke Wall," and after doing his utmost to avoid the affray thus forced upon him, Laurence Coottes, fighting in lawful self-defence and for the preservation of his life, with his sword, called "a bake-sword," gave Richard Hale on the left side of his head a mortal blow, of which he died on the 19th of the same month of May.—The length of the time between the death and inquest is noteworthy. G. D. R., 25 Sept., 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

17 JULY, 2 MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day Lawrence Colbecke late of London yoman feloniously entered the dwelling-house of William Kyne tallowchaundeler, and stole therefrom a goblett of silver parcel-gilte worth four pounds. I. R., . . . 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

6 AUGUST, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Hollo-way in the parish of Iseldon co. Midd. on the said day, Francis Rowlesley and Thomas Williamson, both late of London yomen, assaulted William Tyse, bound him with cords, and robbed him of a woollen cloth coat of shepe-russett colour worth ten shillings, a dagger worth twenty pence, and two shillings and six-pence in numbered money. Both robbers put themselves 'Guilty,' and had judgment. I. R., 29 Aug., 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

22 AUGUST, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Westminster in the night of the said day between ten and eleven p.m., Alexander Daragh late of the same city baker assaulted Robert Hyll late of Westminster and a constable thereof, whilst in the performance of his duty in the house of Robert Most, and watching the same house for its disorderly rule, and that with a dagger called a Skottyshe dagger the said Alexander gave Robert Hill in the left part of his body a mortal blow of which he then and there died. Confessing the indictment, Alexander had judgment. I. R., 29 Aug., 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

27 AUGUST, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day at Kensington co. Midd., Roger Longe late of London yoman breke into the close of Thomas Peychey and stole therefrom a brown ox worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence and a pyed black ox worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Roger Longe asked for the book, read like a clerk, was branded and delivered to the Ordinary. I. R., 29 Aug., 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

29 AUGUST, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Kentys-towne co. Midd. on the said day, John Read of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields near Charynge Crosse gentleman, John Frankelyn of Westminster yoman, John Parke of the same city yoman, Robert Wyse of the same city yoman, Robert Read of the same city yoman, Thomas Mussage of the same city surgeon, William Frenche of the same city tyler, Robert Nowse of the same city sadler, and William Neale of the same city labcrer, with some twelve unknown persons assembled in warlike manner, and riotously broke into a certain messuage, parcel of the prebend or rectory of Cantelour within the cathedral church of St. Paul, and expelled from the said messuage John Fecknam clerk, and keep him out of the same messuage even until now. I. R., 8 Sept., 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

31 AUGUST, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, Robert Smythe of Harrowe Well co. Midd. and James Lydgold of Acton co. Midd. laborers broke into and entered the water of John Warren at Harrowe Well and with a net took therefrom a hundred fishes called carps worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said John Warren. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

21 SEPTEMBER, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, John Gardener of London gentleman, and William Chester of the parish of St. Clement Danes yoman, and John Potter yoman and John Wheler taylour, both of the said parish, riotously and by force took possession of the nineteen cottages of a certain William Steyke *alias* Evyn in the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd., and having so disseized the said William Steyke *alias* Evyn still keep him out of the said cottages. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

1 OCTOBER, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day, Thomas Hungerford gentleman, Robert Tuckfurthe gentleman, John Shelley husbandman, Thomas Kyllye husbandman and Thomas Collyn husbandman, all of Chelsey co. Midd., riotously and by force of arms entered a certain messuage or rectory, called the parsonage of Chelsey, with its appurtenances at Chelsey, and dispossessed Richard Myers, rector of the parish-church of Chelsey, of the said parsonage, and having so dispossessed him

still keep him out of his said parsonage, even to this 4th day of October. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

4 NOVEMBER, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Clerkenwell co. Midd. on view of the body of John Grove late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, about 4 p.m. on 4 August last past Henry Snellyng late of London yoman, and late the servant of Sir Morice Dennys knt., was in God's and the King's and Queen's peace at Clerkenwell aforesaid, in the highway leading to Islyngton, when John Grove, armed with a sword and buckler assaulted him with the intention of wounding him ; and that, after retreating from his assailant, even to a ditch in the same highway, near Seynt John's Wall, and doing his utmost to escape from the affray so forced upon him, Henry Snellyng, fighting in lawful self-defence, with a sword gave John Grove on his right leg above the knee a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., . . . . 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

22 NOVEMBER, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Henry ap-William *alias* Henry Williams late of the said city yoman, between the hours of six and seven p.m., broke into the mansion-house "cujusdam gutterolopis" of the Lord Steward of the said King at Westminster, and stole therefrom a box of wood worth three shillings and fourpence, an iron caskett worth twenty shillings being within the aforesaid wooden box, a silk purse worth five shillings, forty-eight pistolettes of gold worth fourteen pounds and sixteen shillings, three French crowns of gold worth nineteen shillings, thirty-six Spanyshe royales of silver worth eight pounds and sixteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said 'Gutterolopis' at Westminster : and Further that William Apheughe Aprobert late of Westminster yoman was an accomplice in the said felony before its commission, and a receiver of the said chattels and money after they were stolen. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Henry-ap-William and William Apheuge asked for the book, read like clerks, and were delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., . . . . 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

24 FEBRUARY, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, Robert Lawton *alias* Lawson, Anthony Evance and Ralph Taillour, all late of London yomen, stole a browne-blewe coat faced with damaske worth three pounds, a leather purse worth sixteen pence, twenty-six shillings in numbered money, a man's cloak "of the new colour" worth twenty shillings &c. &c., of the goods, chattels and moneys of William Barlowe of London citizen and clothworker. G. S. P. R., . . . . 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

3 APRIL, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Tottenham Highecrosse co. Midd. on the said day, John Porter late of London

yoman entered the dwellinghouse of John Stooe and stole therefrom a woollen-cloth coat "*coloris blodii*" worth twenty shillings, a woollen-cloth coat "*coloris marble*" worth twenty shillings, a doublet of "*milleyne fustyan*" worth nine shillings and sixpence, "*a jerkyn of buckes leather*" worth fourteen shillings, three pairs of white woollen cloth breeches worth twelve shillings, a sword worth six shillings and eightpence, another sword worth six shillings and eightpence, a dagger worth two and eightpence, a pair of gloves worth eightpence, and a comb worth twopence, of the goods and chattels of John Stooe. G. S. P. R., Easter, 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

1 MAY, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day and at divers other times John Bartholmewe of Saynte Mary Spytle co. Midd. gentleman, otherwise styled John Bartylmewe of Saynte Mary Spytle taylor, made, coined and counterfeited three pieces of false money of false and mixed metal, viz. of copper and tin and other false metals, of the likeness and size of the current '*testornes*' (*similitudinis et magnitudinis currentium Testorum Anglie vocatorum testornes*), the value of each of which '*testornes*' of good copper and lawful money is sixpence; and that having so made, coined and counterfeited the said '*testornes*,' he put them forth and uttered them for true and lawful money at Norton Foldegate: And Further that, knowing a certain Charles Dymok late of London yoman had feloniously made, coined and fabricated in the likeness of true money at Upcote co. Devon, four pieces called Pystolates of false and mixed metal, viz. of copper and tin and other false mixed metals, the aforesaid John Bartholmewe received, harboured and comforted the same Charles at Saynt Mary Spytle. I. R., . . . 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

12 MAY, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day at Popler, Nicholas Lott late of Popler waterman assaulted John Newland late of the same place, and with '*a bote hooke*' gave him on the fore part of his head a mortal blow, of which he then and there died. I. R., 30 June, 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

22 MAY, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Highholburn co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Bentley of Holburn aforesaid baker with "*a byll*" assaulted John Lyon then and still being Mayor of the City of London, when the same John Lyon in the execution of his office was weighing the same Richard Bentley's loaves of bread, even as all Mayors of London from time immemorial have been accustomed to weigh the loaves of bakers in Holburn; and that by so assaulting him, Richard Bentley hindered and obstructed the same Mayor of London in the execution of his said office. I. R., 29 May, 1 & 2 Phil. and Mary.

1 JUNE, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Shoreditch on

the said day, Richard Smyth of Shoreditch yoman seditiously and publicly uttered these words, *viz.* 'That the Quene is dead,' in disregard of the Act of Parliament of 1 & 2 Philip and Mary against spreading false reports respecting the said King or Queen. The judgment of the Court, delivered on 5 July, 1 & 2 Philip and Mary, at Westminster, being that the said Richard Smyth be put in the pillory in the public market-place, that both his ears be cut off within the next month, that he pay a fine of one hundred pounds to the use of the said King and Queen, and further remain in prison for three months. G. D. R., . . . 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

18 JUNE, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day, Richard Drewrye baker, John Welshe, John Faith, John Phetty (?) yoman, all four of the city of Westminster, together with some ten unknown persons riotously and by force took possession of a certain cottage in Westminster, belonging to the Dean and Chapter of the cathedral church of St. Peter, and having thus unlawfully dispossessed the said Dean and Chapter of their said cottage still keep them out of it. I. R., 15 Jan., 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

26 JUNE, 1 & 2 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Edgeware on the said day, John Herne late of Edgeware co. Midd. taylor, assaulted his wife with a brome, and kicked her on the right side under the ribs, and by so kicking her gave her a mortal blow of which she languished till the seventh day of the following July, when she died from the said blow:—the particulars of the murder being thus given in the language of the bill, "*Johannes Herne &c. &c. vi et armis, scilicet cum uno scopo vocato a brome in quendam Johannam Herne nuper vxorem predicti Johannis Herne apud Edgeware predictam insultum fecit ac ipsam Johannam cum pedibus suis super dextrum latus subter costas ejusdem Johanne tunc et ibidem felonice percussit, dans eidem Johanne tunc et ibidem cum pedibus suis predictis vnum ictum siue plagam mortalem de quo quidem icto (sic) siue plaga mortali predicta Johanna apud Edgeware predictam in comitatu predicto a predicto xxvi<sup>to</sup> die Junii vsque vii<sup>mo</sup>. diem Julii annis &c. predictis in comitatu predicto languebat quo quidem vii<sup>o</sup>. die Julii &c. predicta Johanna &c. &c. de ictu siue plaga predicta obiit.*" I. R., 7 Dec., 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

14 JULY, 1 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day, at the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Ethelbert Warner late of Pistorne co. Bucks, taylor, stole a silver-gilt chalice worth fifty-two shillings, a red velvet vestment worth forty shillings, a blue satin vestment worth twenty-six shillings and eight pence, and two linen albes worth . . . , of the goods and chattels of the parishioners of the parish-church of Pytstorne aforesaid, in the custody of Henry Walker and William Pyng guardians of the goods and ornaments of the said parish-church,

then being in the parish of St. Gyles-in-the-Fields. I. R.,  
2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

17 AUGUST, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at High Holborn co. Midd. on the said day, Simon Cosyn, late of Saffron Walden co. Essex yoman, stole and carried away a cope of redde sylke worth thirty-six shillings and eight pence, an aulter cloth of lynyen worth twelve pence, “unum indumentum de panno lineo vocatum an awlbe of lynyen cloth” worth six shillings and eight pence, “vnam amiseam de panno lineo vocatam an ames of lynyen cloth” worth two shillings, a sacring bell worth two pence, and a piece of linen cloth called “a corporasse cloth” worth five shillings, of the goods and chattels of the parishioners of the parish-church of Arkesden co. Essex, in the custody of George Louve and William Taillour, guardians of the goods and ornaments of the aforesaid church at High Holborn co. Midd. I. R., 20 Sept., 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

12 SEPTEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Bunhill co. Midd. on the said day, Nycholas Palmer late of London tayllour assaulted James A'Chaulton, and with a sword murdered the same James. Nicholas Palmer put himself ‘Guilty,’ and subsequently received pardon by Letters Patent, dated 1 May, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary. I. R., 7 Dec., 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

29 SEPTEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day at Uxbridge and other places, John Lorkyng late of Stanmer co. Midd. laborer bought of certain unknown persons a quarter of wheat and regreated the same, against the peace of the said King and Queen, and against the form of the statute in a matter of this kind published an provided. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

29 SEPTEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day at Uxbridge co. Midd. a certain . . . bought a quarter of wheat of certain persons unknown and regreated the same. G. S. P. R. Michaelmas, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

26 OCTOBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Simon Cofyn late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Simon died on the same day within the gaol by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 20 April, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

1 NOVEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Wyncherhill near Edmonton co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Nicholas late of London yoman stole a cow “coloris Redd Brandon” worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Nicholas Grey of St. Eddes co. Huntynghton. With four other True Bills against Robert Nicholas for stealing cows on the same day at Edmonton. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ Robert Nicholas asked for the book, read like a clerk,

and was delivered to the Ordinary. I. R., 7 December, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

10 NOVEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day in the highway at Gonnerby co. Lincoln, Dionisius Thymbleby gentleman, Stephen Corlycke yoman, Michael Burded yoman and John Graye yoman, all four of Grantham co. Lincoln, made an assault on John Oker gentleman, one of the receivers of the said King and Queen in the county of Lincoln, and on John Morres, servant of the said John Oker, and so maltreated them that their lives were despaired of, and bound them hand and foot with cords, and robbed them of two hundred pounds in numbered money, of the goods and chattels moneys of the said King and Queen, then being in the custody of the said John Oker at Gonnerbye; and that on the 15th and 16th of the same month at Islynton co. Midd. . . . Postlett feloniously entertained the aforesaid Nicholas Burded at a common inn called The Crowne, and feloniously received of him forty marks, part of the said two hundred pounds. G. S. P. R., Easter, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

13 NOVEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Shordyche on the said day, Elizabeth Apriseley late of London spynster stole four pounds six shillings and eightpence in numbered money, a black worsted kyrtle worth twenty shillings, a red woollen woman's petycote worth ten shillings, a pair of worsted shoes worth two shillings and four pence, a black worsted apron worth five shillings, five linen neckerchers worth five shillings, six linen kerchers worth fifteen shillings, nine linen rayles worth eighteen shillings, five linen cappe-clothes worth twelve shillings, one pair of fustean sleeves worth twenty pence, four linen aprons worth three shillings, &c. of the goods and chattels of Walter Jhones at Shordyche co. Midd. aforesaid. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Elizabeth Apriseley pleaded pregnancy (plit' pregn'). I. R., 23 March, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

14 NOVEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Edelmeton co. Midd. on the said day, Andrew Cooke and John Smyth, both late of Tottenham co. Midd. bochers, stole twelve sheep called wethers, of the goods and chattels of Henry Cade. Andrew Cooke put himself 'Guilty.' I. R., 7 Dec., 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

15 NOVEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Arnold Symon late of London yoman stole eleven longe bowes, worth twenty-four shillings, of the goods and chattels of the Earl of Pembroke. I. R., 7 Dec., 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

29 NOVEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Shordyche co. Midd. on the said day, George Ector late of London yoman stole a brown ox worth twenty-six shillings and eight-pence, and another ox of the same colour worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels

of Clementes Siceley of Estham co. Essex gentlewoman. George Ector put himself 'Guilty.' I. R., 7 Dec., 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

3 DECEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Hampstead (*sic*) co. Midd. on the said day, John Hanbrooke late of London yoman assaulted Margaret Adamson "et ipsam Margaretam contra voluntatem suam rapuit et carnaliter cognovit." I. R., 7 Dec., 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

21 DECEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Uxbridge on the said day between five and six p.m., George Hopperton late of London yoman broke into the house of a certain John Rayner and stole therefrom two silver goblettes parcell-gilt worth four pounds thirteen shillings and four pence, a parcell-gilt silver cup with a cover worth three pounds six shillings and eightpence, a parcell-gilt silver salt-cellar worth three pounds six shillings and eight pence, six parcell-gilt silver spoons worth forty shillings, and a linen-cloth pillowber worth twenty pence. Putting himself 'Guilty,' George Hopperton had judgment. G. D., . . . 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

24 DECEMBER, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Peter Williams late of London yoman stole a silver-gilt goblet worth fifty-three shillings and four pence, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Sponer of London goldsmith. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Peter Williams had judgment. G. D., . . . 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

31 JANUARY, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day at the town (apud villam) of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Geoffrey Condytt late of London yoman stole and took away a woman's russet frock worth five shillings, a linen apron worth a shilling, three linen rayles worth three shillings, found there and being of the goods and chattels of some unknown person. I. R., 21 Feb., 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

19 FEBRUARY, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Wylgres late of the said city fyshemonger enticed a certain Thomas Pratt gentleman into playing unlawful and prohibited games, and played with him at the said games for a sum of four shillings and fourpence, he (the said Edward Wylgres) having with him in his left hand false dice that at every fall of the dice came forth at his pleasure; and that by secretly removing the true dice and play with these false dice, Edward Wylgres despoiled and defrauded Thomas Pratt of the aforesaid sum of four shillings and four pence. I. R. 4 March, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

22 FEBRUARY, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day, John Webbe yoman, John Smythe yoman, and Peter Harrison



yoman, all three late of London, assaulted a certain Richard Lea on the highway at the Tyburne (apud le tyburne) in the parish of Paddington, and so beat, wounded and maltreated him that his life was despaired of, and then and there robbed him of a girdle worth two shillings, a dagger worth five shillings, "vnum galerum called a Spanyshe Felte" worth three shillings and four pence, and twenty shillings of numbered money in a leather purse worth one halfpenny. I. R., 4 March, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

7 MARCH, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at one a.m. in the night of the said day, William Tyndall late of Monken Hadleighe co. Midd. gentleman broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Isabell Rolf widow at Enfelde co. Midd., then being and resting in the said house, and stole therefrom a silver gilt girdle worth forty shillings, a pair of sylver hookes worth five shillings, "unam fibulam argenti" worth two shillings, two sylver pynnes worth five shillings, a silver ring worth two shillings and eightpence, two pairs of kerchers worth thirty shillings, two pairs of gloves worth six shillings, three linen handkerchers worth three shillings and four pence, three doble rayles worth fifteen shillings, a linen pillowbere worth sixteen pence, and ten pounds in numbered money, of the goods, chattels and moneys of the said Isabell Rolf; And Further that William Reynoldes of Monken Hadleighe aforesaid smyth, and John Joyner, *alias* Slyon, *alias* Jones of the same parish yoman, on the sixth day of March, 2 & 3 Philip and Mary, were aiders and abettors to the said burglary. William Tyndall and John Slyon were sentenced to be hung: pleading his clergy, William Reynolds was burnt on the hand and delivered to the Ordinary. G. D., . . . . 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

17 MARCH, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Kyngesland co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Baylie late of London yoman stole a bay horse, worth thirteen shillings and fourpence, of the goods and chattels of an unknown man. At the foot of the bill, a Memorandum that on his arraignment on 20th of April next following, Thomas Baylie put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, and was delivered to the Ordinary. I. R., . . . . 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

21 MARCH, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd., on view of the body of Laurence Awnsell late of the said parish cobbler: With Verdict that, on the 20th instant in his dwelling-house within the said parish, the said Lawrence Awnsell and his wife Elena Awnsell, otherwise styled Elena Awnsell spynster, exchanged bitter and exasperating words, by reason of which opprobrious speech they passed from words to blows and fought one another on equal terms (adtunc et ibidem pariter pugnabant), and that in the affray the said Elena, by the mis-

chance called Chance Medley, with a knife gave the said Laurence under his breast a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 20 April, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

24 MARCH, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY. —Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Robert Eger, late of Hornettystell co. York yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Robert Eger died on the aforesaid day within the gaol by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 20 April, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

28 MARCH, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Kentyshtowne on the said day, William White late of Watforde co. Midd., stole a gray gelding, of the goods and chattels of Anthony Townesley. Putting himself 'Not Guilty,' William White did not retract; but all the same he had judgment. I. R., 30 June, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

7 APRIL, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, George Abarrowe broke into the close and house of Robert Davys, and stole therefrom a grey gelding worth five pounds. Memorandum on the bill, that George Abarrowe put himself 'Guilty,' on his arraignment 20 April, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

21 APRIL, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Ralph Hagas *alias* George Copley, there lying dead: With Verdict that the same Hagas *alias* Copley died on the said day within the gaol by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 20 April, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

21 APRIL, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Cowley co. Midd. on the said day, James Priour late of the said parish yoman stole a brown cow worth thirty shillings, and a red cow worth thirty-three shillings and four pence, of the goods and chattels of John Amps of Barton co. Bedd. Taken at the Olde Wolstaple *alias* Woolstaple, Westminster. With clerical Memorandum at the foot of the bill that afterwards, viz. on 1 May, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary, James Priour put himself 'Guilty,' had no chattels, asked for the book, read like a clerk, was burnt on the hand and delivered to the Ordinary. I. R., 24 April, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

. . . ., 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, on the said day at Saynt Jones Strete co. Midd., Richard Washeburne late of Suckeley co. Hertford yoman stole a grey gelding, worth four pounds six shillings and eightpence, of the goods and chattels of William Bynt. Taken at Westminster before Justices (whose names are no longer legible on the wrapper of the roll) at the Olde Wolstaple in Westminster, on 24 April, 2 & 3 Phil. & Mary.—At the bill's foot a clerical memorandum that on the 6th of May next following, Richard Washeburne put himself 'Guilty,' had no chattels, and was sentenced to be hung. I. R., 24 April, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

27 MAY, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, within the liberty of the City of Westminster, on view of the body of Richard Egleston late of London marchaunte taylour, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 26th inst. at the said parish in a certain field called St. Martyn's Felde, Richard Egleston aforesaid was in God's and the Queens' peace, when John Hare late of Westminster yoman assaulted him, and murdered him by giving him with a sword under his breast a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 4 Sept., 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

23 JUNE, 2 & 3 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Highe Holborne on the said day, John Ryce late of Rysing co. Norfolk yoman and Cristofer Clerke late of Otley co. York yoman, stole a gray gelding worth six pounds, of the goods and chattels of a certain unknown man. At the foot of the bill, this memorandum "Pr. Joh'es Ryce po se ve fa Cull ca null :—h' et judic' ad Sus' p' Coll."—"The aforesaid John Ryce puts himself 'Guilty' of the fact, has no chattels, has judgment to be hung by the neck." Similar memorandum touching Christofer Clerke. I. R., 30 June, 2 & 3 Phil. and Mary.

25 AUGUST, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Henry Kinge late of Westminster yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Henry Kinge died on the said day within the Gaol by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 4 Sept., 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

27 AUGUST, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Giles's-without-Creplegate co. Midd., on view of the body of Robert Webberton inholder, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Robert Webberton on the 26th inst. died suddenly, whilst making hay in a certain field, called Fyve Acres Felde in the parish of Shorediche. G. D. R., 4 Sept., 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

12 OCTOBER, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Short-dyche co. Midd. on the said day, William Lamberd late of London yoman stole a leather purse called "a lockt purse" worth two shillings, of the good and chattels of Richard Gylbye. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that at the Gaol Delivery of 11th of December next following, William Lamberd put himself 'Guilty,' and was reprieved ; and that on the 16th day of the same December he was sentenced to be hung. I. R., . . . 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

22 JANUARY, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—Inquest held before Sir Robert Rochester knt. coroner &c. on view of the body of John Harres, late of the city of Westminster, there lying dead : With the Jurors' Verdict that, on the night of the said day, between the hours of six and seven, the said John Harres being drunk (*existens ebrius*),

whilst walking "et vadens per alveum molendarii Abbacie beati Petri Westmonasterii vocatum the Abbey mylne dame . . . subito et improvise sespitabat titubabat et cadebat in aquam Aluei molendinarii predicti . . . racione ebrietatis sue predictae"; the result being that he was then and there drowned in the mill-dam. G. D. R., 28 May, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

2 FEBRUARY, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Todington co. Midd. in a certain meadow near the Thames, Robert Mareshall, late of Kingston-upon-Thames laborer, assaulted William Lancaster and murdered him by giving him divers mortal wounds with "an hedginbyll," of which wounds he then and there died instantly; and that, having so murdered him, the said Robert Mareshall threw the body of the same William Lancaster into the said river. Robert Mareshall put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung. I. R., 7 April, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

4 FEBRUARY, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Southmymes co. Midd. on the said day, John Pears *alias* Bote *alias* Phillippes and George Shurley, both late of London yomen, stole a parcel-gilt silver chalice worth four pounds, a vestment called "an albe" worth five pounds, another vestment called "an albe" worth five pounds, another vestment called "a decon" worth forty shillings, an ornament called "a corporas case" worth four shillings, a covering called "a coporas clothe" worth sixteen pence, of the goods and chattels of the parishioners of Hadenham co. Bucks, in the keeping of George Colyngridge and Robert Viner wardens of the parish church of Hadenham aforesaid. John Pears and George Shurley put themselves 'Guilty,' and were sentenced to be hung. I. R., 7 April, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

10 MARCH, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, William Wickes late of London yoman and Elizabeth Gondye late of the same place spinster, made and counterfeited of false metals viz. "de cupro ere et alcumina" five several coins in the likeness of the current coins of the aforesaid King and Queen called "half shillinges," and having so made the said false coins uttered them on the aforesaid day to Thomas Bragg of Kensington yoman.—Memorandum at the foot of the bill that, on being brought to trial on 2 December, 4 & 5 Philip and Mary, they were found guilty of uttering, but acquitted of making the said false coins: the judgment (delivered on 7 January 4 & 5 Philip and Mary) being that they should forfeit all their goods, chattels, lands and tenements and remain in prison during . . . With further memorandum, on the dorse of the bill, that at the Session held at Fynnesbury, 31 August 1 Elizabeth, before Ralph Chomeley and John Southcott serjeant-at-law, and Robert Chidley and

John Marshe esqs., the aforesaid William Wickes and Elizabeth Gondye pleaded the Queen's General pardon, and prayed successfully that it might be allowed to them. I. R., . . . 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

28 MARCH, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Robert Whorlpole late of Chippingbarnet co. Midd. yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Robert died in the gaol on the said day, by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 7 April, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

5 APRIL, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of John Semer late of Newbery co. Book. gentleman : With Verdict that the said John died in the gaol on the 4th inst., by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 7 April, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

19 APRIL, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Clerkenwell co. Midd. on view of the body of Richard Greynfylde late of the same parish, there lying dead : With Verdict that, at the said parish on the aforesaid day, the said Richard committed suicide by throwing himself "in aquam vulgariter vocat' Clarken Well" in the said parish and thus of his own will drowning himself. G. D. R., 28 May, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

25 APRIL, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, Anthony Leigh late of London gentylman, and Edward Bray late of Pavenham co. Bedd. gentylman, at about the second hour of the night of the aforesaid day broke burglariously into the mansion-house of William Longe at the parish of Savoye co. Midd., and put Charles Draper and Richard Lambe, servants of the same William Longe there being, in great fear, and stole therefrom five parcel-gilt silver goblets worth eighteen pounds four shillings and six pence, "et vnum ciphum argenteum deauratum vocatum a bowle of syluer all gilte" worth four pounds and sixpence, of the goods and chattels of the said William Longe at the parish of Savoye aforesaid. G. D. R., 28 May, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

30 APRIL, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Thomas Underwood late of London maryner : With Verdict that the said Thomas died in the gaol on the same day, by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 28 May, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

4 MAY, 3 & 4 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Harrow Hill co. Midd. on view of the body of Henry Slancke late of the said parish tayller ; With Verdict that, about 10 p.m. of the night of the 2nd inst. at the said parish, in a field there called Hill Close or Baken's Close, the said Henry Slancke

at the instigation of the devil committed suicide, by hanging himself with a girdle, worth a farthing. G. D. R., 28 May, 3 & 4 Phil. and Mary.

24 OCTOBER, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Katherine Edmonton late of Paddington spinster, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that she died on the 21st inst. within the gaol by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 30 March, 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

15 NOVEMBER, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, in Westminster Hall and in the Court of the Common Bench within the same hall, between ten and eleven a.m. of the said day, whilst the judges were there sitting, John Broke late of London gentleman stole a handkercher and twenty shillings in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of William Smythe clerk. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that, on 2 Dec. 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary, John Broke put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read like a clerk, was burnt on the hand and delivered to the Ordinary. I. R., . . . 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

17 NOVEMBER, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, in the highway at Maribone co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas (*sic*) Wentworthe gentleman, Hugh Lloyd yoman and John Eton yoman, all three late of London, assaulted William Wylson and robbed him of a dagger worth six shillings and eightpence. All three robbers put themselves 'Guilty,' and were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 13 Dec., 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

17 NOVEMBER, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, in the highway at Maribone on the said day, Francis (*sic*) Wentworth gentleman, Hugh Lloyd yoman and John Eton yoman, all late of London, assaulted William Wyllson, put him in fear of his life and robbed him of a dagger, worth six shillings and eightpence, of the goods and chattels of the same William Willson. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that all three defendants put themselves 'Guilty,' and had judgment. G. D. R., 13 Dec., 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

10 DECEMBER, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Shordiche on the said day, Richard Pagett late of London yoman stole a bay mare worth forty shillings, a black leather saddle worth three shillings, and a bridle worth two shillings and three pence, of the goods and chattels of John Stevenson. Po se cul. G. D. R., 30 March, 4 & 5 Phil., and Mary.

18 DECEMBER, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Holowaye co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Mason late of London yoman stole a coverlet for a bedd worth five shillings, two payres of shetes worth eight shillings, and two towelles worth twenty pence, of

the goods and chattels of Hugh Payne. Po se cul. G. D. R., 30 March, 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

24 DECEMBER, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Islyngton co. Midd. on the said day, John Nycols late of London yoman stole a bay mare worth twenty shillings, a black woollen-cloth coat worth eight shillings, two silver salts with silver covers worth four pounds, and a gold ring worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Robert Darrell. Po se cul. G. D. R., 30 March, 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

13 FEBRUARY, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Seinte John Strete in the parish of Clerkenwell co. Midd. on the said day, William Greneway late of London yoman stole “unum tormentum vocat’ a frenche coriof.” worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence, of the goods and chattels of an unknown man, then in the custody of one William Gawyn. Po se cul. G. D. R., 30 March, 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

3 MARCH, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of John Foster late of Paddington yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said John Foster died within the gaol on the same day by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 30 March, 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

20 MARCH, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Margaret Davys, there lying dead: With Verdict that she died within the gaol on the same day, by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 30 March, 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

26 MARCH, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of William Peers late of St. Giles’s-in-the-Field co. Midd. yoman: With Verdict that he died within the gaol on the same day by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 30 March, 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

18 MAY, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, at Clerkenwell co. Midd. on the said day, John Kerby and Walter Cocker *alias* Cockerell, both late of London yomen, stole a white gelding worth forty shillings, a bay gelding worth forty shillings, a shirt worth three shillings, a woollen-cloth cloak worth twenty shillings, a sword worth four shillings, a girdle worth two shillings, a pair of boots worth four shillings, and eleven shillings in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of Oliver Withington. Both prisoners put themselves ‘Guilty.’ I. R., . . . . 4 & 5 Phil. and Mary.

9 JUNE, 4 & 5 PHILIP AND MARY.—True Bill that, in the highway leading from Acton to London, George Foscum late of London yoman, with divers unknown persons, assaulted Henry Follantyne of Harrowe-

on-the-Hill yoman, and robbed him of a sword worth four shillings, a dagger worth three shillings, and a swerdegirdell worth twelve pence. Putting himself 'Guilty,' George Foscum was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 11 July, 4 & 6 Phil. and Mary.

8 JANUARY, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Wyllesdon co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Barnes late of London yoman stole a woman's woollen gown worth thirteen shillings, a woman's petycote worth six shillings and eight pence, a linen shete worth two shillings, four linen kerchers worth three shillings and four pence, a payre of silver hookes worth sixteen pence, two silver rings worth twenty pence, two silver pins worth twenty pence, and an apron worth twelve pence, of the goods and chattels of John Chylde. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Henry Barnes was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . . May, 1 Elizabeth.

12 JANUARY, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Ayehill co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Addyson bocher and Hugh Mychell yoman, both late of London, assaulted John Austen of Launston co. Cornwall, and robbed him of sixty pounds in a leather purse.—At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that Richard Addyson and Hugh Mychell were sentenced to be hung. G. D., . . . . 1 Eliz.

20 FEBRUARY, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Turmylstreyt co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Edwardes late of London yoman stole and carried off a man's fryse coat worth eight shillings, and a man's blewe woollen-cloth jacket worth three shillings, and a linen shirt worth twenty pence, of the goods and chattels of Bartholomew Kemp-sall of Turmyllstrete aforesaid.—At the foot of the bill a memorandum that the said Edward Edwardes put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was committed to the Ordinary. G. D., . . . . 1 Eliz.

4 MAY, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement-Danes co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Shawe *alias* Stanley late of London yoman stole two silver goblettes worth eight pounds, and two silver spoons worth thirteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Cockes.—At the foot of the bill, a Memorandum that, on his arraignment on . . . . th of May in the Justice Hall in the Old Bailey, Thomas Shawe put himself 'Guilty,' and asked for the book, whereupon it was pleaded for the Lady the Queen that he had been burnt on the hand in former time, to which Thomas Shawe replied that he was not the same person who was so burnt; and a Jury having found at the Gaol Delivery of 14 Dec. 2 Eliz. that he was the



same convicted clerk, so burnt in the hand on a previous occasion, he was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . May, 1 Eliz.

13 MAY, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stratford-at-Bowe on the said day, Margaret Humfrey late of London spynster, stole twelve shillings of numbered money in a box, five kerchers and four rayles worth six shillings and eightpence, two linen aprons worth twelve pence, a silk cuffe worth four pence, and one pair of woman's stockings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Harvy of Estham co. Essex fyssherman. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Margaret Humfrey pleaded her pregnancy. G. D. R., . . . May, 1 Eliz.

20 MAY, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at the lordship of Wallockes Berne in the parish of St. Giles-without-Creplegate co. Midd., William Davys late of London yoman stole five spades worth ten shillings, and one other piece of iron called a coulter worth six shillings and eightpence of the goods and chattels of William Austen "apud dominium de Wallockes berne." Pleading his clergy, William Davys was burnt in the hand and delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., . . . May, 1 Elizabeth.

26 SEPTEMBER, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Wallockes Barne co. Midd. on the said day, William Baynard late of London cook stole ten shillings and tenpence in numbered money of the goods and moneys of Richard Skelton of Dunstable co. Beds., then being in the custody of James Tye of Dunstable aforesaid maltman. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Baynard was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 1 Eliz.

27 SEPTEMBER, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Isseldon co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Cowke late of Westminster yoman assaulted John Papworth on the highway, and robbed him of a sword worth five shillings, a felte hat, and a leather purse containing twenty pence in numbered money. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Edward Cowke was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 1 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Laleham co. Midd. on the said day and before and afterwards, Thomas Ranyer of Lyttleton co. Midd. yoman kept a certain Elizabeth Goldock of Laleham spynster as his concubine at Laleham aforesaid, and lived with her in adultery. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 1 Eliz.

2 OCTOBER, 1 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Cowley co. Midd. on the said day, Alexander Raynford late of Rypley co. Kent yoman stole "vnum coopertorium vocat' a bed kyveringe" worth two shillings, and a pair of flaxen shetes worth three shillings and four pence, of the goods and chattels of Roger Burton of Harlington.—At the foot of the bill a memorandum that the said Alexander put himself 'Guilty,' and asked for the book (viz. at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate, 7 Oct.,

1 Eliz.) ; when the matter was deferred " quia sedes episcopalis jam vacat ita vt competens ordinarius non aderat." Afterwards at the Session held on 3 Jan., 2 Eliz., the prisoner read like a clerk, was burnt on the hand, and handed over to the Ordinary.—At the same Session of 3 Jan., 2 Eliz., John Crowcher late of Keston co. Midd. shereman, who had at a previous Session acknowledged himself guilty of cattle-stealing was unable to save his neck by reading a verse. " Non legit vt clericus," runs the memorandum at the foot of his bill of indictment : " Ideo judicatum est quod suspendatur per collum." G. D. R., 7 Oct., 1 Eliz.

19 SEPTEMBER, 2 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition post-mortem, taken at Hill Felde in the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, on view of the body of a certain unknown man, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 6th inst. between six and seven p.m., John Tyrrell *alias* Tayllour, late of London yoman, with other persons, in the said field assaulted the said unknown man, and that John Tyrrell aforesaid murdered him, by giving him with " a staffe of ashe " on the left part of his head a mortal blow, of which the same unknown man then and there died immediately.—On his arraignment John Tyrrell *alias* Tayllour put himself ' Not Guilty,' and did not retract ; wherefore it was adjudged that he should go quit. Further it appears, from the Memorandum at the foot of the bill, that the Jurors found, that John Sturfurrowe of Ludlowe co. Salop husbandman murdered the said unknown man. G. D. R., . . . Feb. 3 Eliz.

30 NOVEMBER, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Radcliffe co. Midd. about six p.m. of the said day, Christopher Woodworthe, late of London yoman, broke into the house of Robert Hilorde yoman (the said Robert being in the house), and stole therefrom " unam zonam virilem de nigra Cruell ad valenciam ij*℥*., vnam crumenam virilem de corio albo ad valenciam iiij*℥*., vnum annulum aureum cum lapide precioso in eodem infixio vocat' a dyamond ad valenciam xxxs., vnum alium annulum aureum cum sole in eodem sculpto ad valenciam xxs., vnum alium annulum aureum signator' ad valenciam xxxs., quatuor pecias monete anglie vulgariter nuncupatas Rose testours ad valenciam xvi*℥*., et xxxis. x*℥*. in pecuniis numeratis in crumena predicta tunc existentes." At the foot of the bill this memorandum—" Et predictus Christopher po se non cul nec se retraxit Io' judic' qd. eat inde quiet'." G. D. R., . . . Feb., 3 Eliz.

20 DECEMBER, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the highway at Enfyld co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Nurse and John Smyth, both late of London yomen, assaulted Richard Tuffenalle and robbed him of forty-seven shillings and eightpence, in a leather purse worth fourpence. At the foot of the bill a memorandum that, at the Session

held at the Justice Hall on 17 January 3 Elizabeth, the said Thomas Nurse and John Smyth were sentenced to be hung.—Also, another True Bill against the same Thomas Nurse and John Smyth, for assaulting Thomas Wykinson on the same day, in the Highway at Edmonton, and then and there robbing him of a 'sackcloth' purse, a pair of gloves worth two-pence, a girdle worth two-pence, and a dagger worth two shillings:—an indictment confessed by both robbers, who were forthwith sentenced to be hung.—These bills are followed on the file by a memorandum, that at the Gaol Delivery, held on 10 December 4 Elizabeth before William Harper, Mayor of the city of London, and other Justices, the aforesaid Thomas Nurse pleaded the Queen's pardon of the said felonies, dated under the Great Seal on 6 October in the 3rd year of Her Majesty's reign; and that at the Gaol Delivery, held on 20 February 4 Elizabeth, the aforesaid John Smyth pleaded the Queen's pardon of the same felonies, dated under the Great Seal on 3 December in the 4th year of Her Majesty's reign. G. D. R., 17 & 18 Jan., 3 Eliz.

20 DECEMBER, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement Danes on the said day, Thomas Lloyd, late of London yoman, stole and carried off a silver goblet worth four pounds and ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Alice Folde of the aforesaid parish widow. At the foot of the bill a memorandum that, at the Session held at the Justice Hall on 18 January 3 Elizabeth before Sir William Chester knt., Mayor of London, and other Justices, Thomas Lloyd put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 17 & 18 Jan., 3 Eliz.

28 DECEMBER, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Turmylstrete co. Midd. in the night of the said day, Richard Tylman *alias* Dericke locksmith and John Dowdald yoman, both late of London, broke burglariously in the dwelling-house of Henry Walsted, and stole therefrom ten pieces of gold called soueraynes worth five pounds (*decem pecias auri voc' soueraynes ad valenciam quinque librarum*), eight pieces of gold called pistilates worth fifty-three shillings and four pence, and nine pieces of gold called Frenche crownes worth fifty-four shillings, of the moneys of the said Henry Walsted. At the foot of the bill a memorandum that, at the Session held at the Justice Hall on 18 January 3 Elizabeth before Sir William Chester, Mayor of London, and other Justices, the aforesaid Richard and John pleaded their clergy, but being unable to read were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 17 & 18 Jan., 3 Eliz.

1 JANUARY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's Danes without the bars of the New Temple on the said day, Henry Gery,

late of the said parish yoman, uttered and sold by retail by little measure, viz. by the quart, five several quarts of Gascoyne wine to divers unknown persons, then and there receiving of them four pence in numbered money for each quart, at the rate of sixteen pence for every gallon, against the form of the Stat. 7 Edward VI., in that case published and provided. I. R., . . . . May, 3 Eliz.

15 JANUARY, 3 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Goal on view of the body of Henry Dyckenson late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Henry died within the gaol on the said day, by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 23 May, 3 Eliz.

20 JANUARY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, (whereas the citizens and other inhabitants of London have been accustomed from time beyond the memory of man to shoot with bows in all the open fields in the parish of Stebbynhith co. Midd. and elsewhere near the said city, viz. in the common lands called Stebbynhyth feyldes, Ratclyff feyldes, Mylende feyldes, Blethnall grene, Spyttlefeildes, Morefeldes, Fynnesbury feyldes, Hoggesdon feyldes, co. Midd. without hindrance from any person, so that all archers have been able to go out in the same open fields to shoot with the bow and come out from them at pleasure, in such manner nevertheless that the said archers do no harm to growing corn nor to grass reserved for seed) John Draney citizen and clothier of the city of London has notwithstanding, on the aforesaid day, trenched in with deep ditches a certain open field called Stebbynhithe close and against custom has planted it with green hedges, in order that the said archers may no longer be able to enter, pass through and leave freely and at their pleasure the said field of Stebbynhithe Close. At the foot of the bill, a Memorandum that, at the Session of the Peace held at Westminster on 21 May next following, John Draney was fined twelve-pence. S. P. R., . . . . 3 Elizabeth.

22 JANUARY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islyngton co. Midd. on the said day, William Aynesworthe, late of the said parish yoman, stole "a Buf skynne" worth nineteen shillings, a black woollen-cloth cloak worth thirty-three shillings and four pence, a felt hatt worth six shillings and eightpence, "vnam palliothecam vocat' a clokebagge de blak fustyan ad valenciam xx*d*." and a buckler worth six shillings and eight pence, of the goods and chattels of John Rolle gentleman. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Aynesworth asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., . . . . Feb., 3 Eliz.

23 JANUARY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the Queen's highway at the Stonebridge in Shordyche co. Midd. on the said day, George Turke late of London gentleman assaulted Thomas Baker, and

robbed him of twenty-six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence in numbered money. At the head of the bill a memorandum that George Turke was sentenced to be hung.—Also, a True Bill that, on the same day and at the same place (apud le Stonebridge in Shordiche co. Midd.), George Turke late of London gentleman assaulted Robert Whitney, and robbed him of twenty-two shillings in numbered money. At the head of the bill a memorandum that the said George Turke put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . . Feb., 3 Eliz.

26 JANUARY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Knightsbridge co. Midd. in the night of the said day, John Heywarde late of London yoman broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Edward Yetton (the said Edward with his family being then and there at rest, in God's and the Queen's peace) and stole therefrom divers pieces of linen cloth worth forty shillings, four pewter disshes worth three shillings, "a kettell of bras" worth twenty-two pence, and six shillings and a penny and one halfpenny in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of the said Edward Yetton. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Heywarde was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . . Feb., 3 Eliz.

2 FEBRUARY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Giles's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Wykested late of London tapster stole a leather purse worth three pence, and seven pounds fifteen shillings and ten pence in numbered money, of the goods and moneys of John Wase. At the foot of the bill, this memorandum, "Et p'd Thomas po se cul ca null petit libru' legit vt cl'icus et traditur ordinar', &c.' G. D. R., . . . . Feb., 3 Eliz.

16 FEBRUARY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Ratclyf co. Midd. on the said day, William Murffett and John Dawson, both late of London yomen, assaulted Edmund Kaye, when he was in God's and the Queen's peace, and that William Murffett slew the same Edmund, by giving him in the belly with a sword a mortal blow, of which he died on the same day. Putting themselves 'Guilty' on their arraignment, both prisoners pleaded their benefit of clergy, whereupon the book was delivered to them. Unable to read like a clerk, William Murffett was sentenced to be hung; but John Dawson read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., . . . . Feb., 3 Eliz.

27 APRIL, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Storve, late of London yoman, stole two parcel-gilt silver goblettes worth six pounds, of the goods and chattels of William Clarkeson. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Storve asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 23 May, 3 Eliz.

1 MAY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shordiche on the said day, John Tonge late of London yoman, stole three diaper table clothes worth twenty shillings, three linen towels worth three shillings and fourpence, a linen cuppard-clothe worth two shillings, six linen table-napkins worth three shillings, eleven linen shirts worth three pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, a linen pillowebere worth sixteen pence, six linen kercheves worth . . . . eight linen neckercheves worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence, a pair of linen sleeves worth six shillings and eightpence, and five linen coverlets worth twenty-five shillings, of the goods and chattels of Giles Allen gentleman.—Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Tonge asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 23 May, 3 Eliz.

12 MAY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day Peter Welt-howe clerk, vicar of the parish church of Hillyngdon co. Midd. and Thomas Pyercye baker, Thomas Flye husbondman, Richard . . . . laborer, William Pynnar laborer, William Chapman gentleman, John Goste . . . . , . . . . Gape yoman, John Mannyng laborer, Robert Parke husbondman, Robert Carleton yoman, John Norrys yoman, Richard Clackham tailor, John Alaughton smyth, Thomas Vyncent smyth, Thomas Crosse yoman, Michael Welde *alias* Welles yoman, Thomas Bunbur horsecorser, John Annsell yoman, all late of Hillyngdon aforesaid, with swords and staves broke into a certain close of John Newdegate esq. at Herefeld co. Midd. called Cowe More, and trampled on the crop growing there, and dug up the soil, to the serious loss of the said John Newdegate. I. R., . . . . May, 3 Eliz.

15 MAY, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, Thomas Childe husbondman, William Leighton yoman, William Glysson yoman, John Taylor, yoman, John Robynson . . . . , . . . . Marlowe yoman, John Markes yoman, George Trowes yoman, John Gost . . . . yoman, Henry Cooke yoman, and John Wythewell yoman, all late of Sunbery co. Midd., armed with swords, staves, hooks and pitchforks, broke riotously into a certain piece of waste, called Asheforde Marshe, parcel of the manor of Colkennington, and cut down three loads of wood there growing, and belonging to Francis Newdegate esq., to his serious loss. I. R., . . . . May, 3 Eliz.

1 AUGUST, 3 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Sowthemymes co. Midd. on view of the body of Thomas Mosse of Sowthemymes aforesaid laborer: With Verdict that John Grysley of Sowthemymes laborer was together with other honest persons shooting with bows and arrows at two certain goals or butts of the aforesaid parish, on the . . . . day of . . . ., Thomas Mosse aforesaid being then and there present; and that, unaware of Thomas Mosse's

position, the said John Grysley drew his bow and sent from it a shaft that, by mischance striking the same Thomas Mosse in the neck, gave him a mortal blow, of which he died on the third day of . . . .

At the foot of the record a Memorandum that, on 10 April 4 Elizabeth, John Grysley appeared at this Session of Gaol Delivery, and pleaded the Queen's pardon of the involuntary homicide, granted to him under the Great Seal by letters patent, dated on the 13th of last February. G. D. R., 10 April, 4 Eliz.

20 SEPTEMBER, 3 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Holborne co. Midd. on view of the body of Lewis Howell, there lying dead : With Verdict that, at Holborne aforesaid on the 19th inst., Thomas Heweys late of same parish assaulted the same Lewis Howell, and murdered him by giving him with a dagger a mortal blow on his breast, of which he then and there died instantly. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that on his arraignment Thomas Hewys put himself 'Not Guilty,' when the Jury returned a verdict that he had been furiously assaulted by Lewis Howell, and had endeavoured to escape the affray so forced upon him, before in self-defence he killed the same Lewis : wherefore the said Thomas Hewys was committed to Gaol "ad gratiam domine Regine expectandam." G. D. R., 11 Dec., 4 Eliz.

12 OCTOBER, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, for three months following the said day and even till now, Henry Edlin late of Hendon co. Midd. husbandman has had neither bow nor arrow for shooting, against the form of the statute in this case provided.

15 OCTOBER, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the highway at Marybone on the said day, Robert Durant, John Powell, Thomas Huntley and Roger Ratclyf, all late of Westminster yomen, assaulted and beat a certain unknown man, and robbed him of twenty pence in numbered money. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Robert Durant was reprieved without judgment, whilst John Powell and Roger Ratclyf were sentenced to be hung. No memorandum touching Huntley. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that at the Gaol Delivery held on 8 January 5 Elizabeth, the said Robert Durant brought into court the Queen's special pardon of his felony, dated under the Great Seal on 1 December 5 Elizabeth, and begged humbly that it might be allowed him. G. D. R., 11 Dec., Eliz.

26 OCTOBER, 3 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Stebenhuth co. Midd., on view of the body of Edmond Smythe late of Blackewall co. Midd. fisherman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Edmond died at Stebenhuth aforesaid on the 24th inst., between five and six p.m., by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 26 June, 4 Eliz.

8 NOVEMBER, 3 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Newman *alias* Coopey late of London yoman stole a sword worth thirty shillings and a dagger worth three shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Fyssh gentleman. At the head of the bill, this memorandum—"Po se non cul nec se retraxit Id iudic qd eat inde quiet'." G. D. R., 11 Dec., 4 Eliz.

28 NOVEMBER, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Katherine Harryson late of London spyenster stole a woman's petiecoteworth twenty shillings, a woman's cassock worth twenty shillings, a silk hat worth twenty shillings, and divers pieces of linen cloth worth two shillings and sixpence. Putting herself 'Guilty,' she pleaded pregnancy : "Et postea" runs a memorandum at the foot of the bill, "scilt. ad sessionem hic tent xx<sup>mo</sup> die Februarii anno quarto supra dicto coram Willo' Harper milit' Maiore civitatis London' et sociis Justiciariis &c. compt' fuit per sacrm' matronarum qd p'dicta Katherina tunc pregnans fuit I'o repri' quousq' &c. Et postea scilt. ad Deliberacionem Gaole hic tent xxvi<sup>to</sup> die Junii anno regni Regine Elizabeth quarto coram p'd' Willo' Harper et sociis suis Justic' p'd compt' fuit per sacrm matronarum qd p'd Katherina tunc non fuit p'gnans I'o cons' est per Cur' qd sus' per collum." Found to be pregnant on 20 Feb. 4 Eliz. by a jury of matrons she was reprieved till the delivery of her child ; and subsequently on 26 June 4 Eliz., being found not pregnant by a jury of matrons, she was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R. 11 Dec., 4 Eliz.

1 DECEMBER, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, from the said day even until now, John Hardy, Reginald Melcher, Thomas Cornysse, Peter . . . , Nicholas Carleton, Nicholas Kirston, Edward Nell, and Richard Hamlen, all of the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields yomen ; and Thomas Collen, William Coker, Reginald Caysey, John Dickenson, Roger Marker, William Moreton, Thomas Waker, of the parish of St. Clement-Danes yomen ; Henry Bocher, John Hollands, Robert Whyttell, Roger Bosewell, Richard Goodyar, John Reynoldes, Robert Beanforest, John Whyting, John Patynson, William Goldyng, and John Pokyns of the city of Westminster yomen ; Richard Cyngle, William Anderson, Robert Parker, Robert Jennyns, Edward Hayne, Thomas Vyncent, William Hyde, Nicholas Hyde, Ralph Damporte and John Punchington of the parish of Stronde co. Midd. have without reasonable excuse neglected to provide themselves with bows and arrows, and neglected to practice archery, in contempt of the statute in this matter provided.

8 DECEMBER, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackney co. Midd. in the night of the said day. about eleven p.m., John Doone late of London yoman broke sacrilegiously into the church of the said parish, and stole therefrom a horsecloth worth two shillings and a bible worth



thirteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of the wardens of the said church. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Doone was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 4 Eliz.

13 DECEMBER, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, from the said day, Thomas Plott late of Edgware co. Midd. carpenter, albeit under no engagement of service to any-one, has refused to work and will not work in his vocation of carpenter at the salary and wage of twelve pence a-day, against the form of divers statutes and ordinances in this case provided.

28 DECEMBER, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's-Danes without the barrs of the New Temple co. Midd. in the night of the said day, viz. about seven p.m., Robert Hammond, late of London gentleman, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Robert Jennings, and stole therefrom a red woollen-cloth tunic trimmed with black velvet worth forty shillings, a woollen-cloth cloak "*coloris rattis colour*" worth twenty shillings, a linen cloth worth six shillings, a linen table-cloth worth three shillings, and a velvet nightcapp worth two shillings and six-pence. *Po se quoad burgularia' non cul nec ret' set quoad feloniam cul ca null petit librum legit vt cl'icus et traditur Ordinario.* G. D. R., 10 April, 4 Eliz.

— 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Fynessebery in St. Giles's-without-Criplegate, on a day no longer legible on the record, Nicholas Yarde late of London gentleman and Ralph . . . assaulted Henry Byrkened of Lyncolnes Inne gentleman, and robbed him of a crymeson sattin purse with a key annexed to it, thirty-eight shillings being in the purse, a gold ring set with two precious stones called a Turkeis and a Rubey, another gold ring set with a Rubey, a woollen cloak, a leather girdle, "*a pystolett de ferro et calibe,*" an ornament of gold called "*a broitche of goulde worth iii li,*" a hat, a linen kerchief, a sorrell gelding and a saddle. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Nicholas and Ralph were sentenced to be hung.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill that, on the night of some day (obliterated from the record) of 4 Elizabeth, Nicholas Yerd gentleman and Robert Fitz yoman, both late of London, broke burglariously into the house of Simon Williams in the parish of St. Dunstan-in-the-West and stole therefrom two stone cups with silver-gilt covers, a playne cloth, six table-napkins, with other things of the goods and chattels of the said Simon Williams. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Robert Fitz was also sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 4 Eliz.

— 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that (whereas certain underwoods called coppices containing thirty-two 'rodas' in Grynford co. Midd., between fourteen and twenty-four years of age, were on 20 Jan. 2 Eliz. lopt and cut) William Gerrard late of Harrowe-super-montem co.

Midd. gentleman, who had and has the same underwoods in his possession from the 20th day of April next following the said lopping and cutting thereof, has neglected to hedge in or otherwise defend the "germen vocatum the yonge sprynge eorundem subboscorum a nocumento et destruccione bestiarum et pecorum," from the aforesaid 20 April even until now.

2 JANUARY, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Blackwall co. Midd., Elizabeth Cholmeley late of London spynster stole a gold ring worth thirteen shillings and four pence, a piece of gold called a pistolate worth five shillings and eight pence, a woman's peticote worth eight shillings, and a waistcoat of flanen worth twenty pence, of the goods and chattels of Peter Hoker of London. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Elizabeth Cholmeley pleaded pregnancy. At the next session, held on 20 February 4 Elizabeth, a jury of matrons having declared her Not Pregnant, Elizabeth Cholmeley was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 4 Eliz.

19 JANUARY, 4 ELIZABETH.—Memorandum that Thomas Hewys of Middlesex yoman pleaded the Queen's pardon, granted to him under the Great Seal on the 8th of the instant January, for killing Lewis Howell, which homicide had been declared by a jury at the Gaol Delivery held on 11 Dec. ult. to have been committed by the said Thomas Hewys in self-defence, "et non per feloniam nec ex malicia." G. D. R., 19 Jan., 4 Eliz.

12 FEBRUARY, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington co. Midd. on the said day, Roger Fenton of Seynt John's Strete co. Midd. inholder, George Bennell of London yoman, William Bagnall of London hosteler, Stephen Marvell of Seynt John's Strete aforesaid hosteler, Walter Herberd of the same place bocher, and Anthony Gates of the same place tapster, and some ten other disturbers of the peace, broke riotously into certain lands called the Mantells, lying and being in Islington, and there violently assaulted and beat John Cosyn and a certain William Andrewes, servant of the same John Cosyn.—G. S. P. R., Easter, 4 Elizabeth.

30 APRIL, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Rogers late of Westminster co. Midd. gentleman stole a horse, called "an hobbie" of "sorrelld" color worth twenty pounds, and a sorrelld gelding worth thirteen pounds six shillings and eightpence, of the goods and chattels of Henry Shelley at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields co. Midd. G. D. R., 26 June, 4 Eliz.

25 MAY, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shorediche co. Midd. on the said day, Peter Smythe late of London yoman stole a linen shirt worth two shillings, and eighteen pieces of linen cloth worth five

shillings, of the goods and chattels of Henry Delatowres at Shorediche aforesaid. At the foot of the bill, a Latin Memorandum running in English thus :—"And the aforesaid Peter puts himself guilty with no chattels, and asks for the book. But it is alleged for the Lady the Queen that he for a certain other felony perpetrated by him elsewhere was convicted, and therefore ought not to have benefit of clergy again. And the said Peter says that he is not the same person &c. And he asks that this may be enquired of by the country &c. And John Lee for the Lady the Queen in this part follows. Therefore let there come jurors on the 7th of September next coming; on which day the jury demanded came, who being chosen and sworn &c. say upon their oath that the aforesaid Peter is the same person who had in former time benefit of clergy, and no other person. Therefore it was adjudged that Peter Smythe should be hung." G. D. R., 26 June, 4 Eliz.

29 MAY, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Wapping co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Hemyng, John Starky, Thomas Hemyng, and Richard Dalysmythe, all of St. Katerynes co. Midd. yomen, with certain persons unknown, broke riotously and by force in a certain close of marsh, containing three acres of marsh-land, lying in the marsh called Wallemarshe *alias* Wapping Marshe in the said county, pertaining to Sir Thomas Wentworth knt., Lord Wentworth, and having expelled the said Thomas Lord Wentworth from the said close still keep him out of it. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 4 Eliz.

31 MAY, 4 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of William Wynchelowe late of London yoman : With Verdict that the said William died on the said day within the gaol, by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 26 June, 4 Eliz.

10 JUNE, 4 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. on view of the body of Griffin Jones late of London yoman : With Verdict that, at the said parish on the 9th inst. about eight p.m., John Hedes *alias* Ap Rice late of the same parish yoman slew and murdered the said Griffin Jones, by throwing a dagger at him, so that the weapon gave him a mortal blow in the neck, of which he then and there died instantly. Over the name of John Hedes, a memorandum that he put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to behung. G. D. R., 26 June, 4 Eliz.

28 JUNE, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fulham co. Midd. on the said day about six p.m., John White late of Hammersmyth co. Midd. yoman assaulted William Tomeson, and murdered the same William by giving him with a forrest-bill on his left leg a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 7 Sept., 4 Eliz.

25 JULY, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islyngton co. Midd. on

the said day, Joan Miller late of the said parish stole a purse worth twopence, and ten pounds in numbered money being in the same purse, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Henry Millett. Over Joan Miller's name, the memorandum "*Po se cul ca null Et p'tauit qd est p'gnans.*" She put herself 'Guilty,' had no chattels, and pleaded pregnancy. G. D. R., 7 Sept., 4 Eliz.

12 AUGUST, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Kensington co. Midd. on the said day, John Horne late of London taylor stole a gold necklace worth four pounds and a gold ring worth five shillings, of the goods and chattels of Anthony Parkehurst gentleman. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Horne asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 7 Sept., 4 Eliz.

22 AUGUST, 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Edgeware co. Midd. on the said day, Francis Wyythe gentleman and James Morten yoman, both late of London, assaulted Thomas Wilkinson of London citizen and poulter, and robbed him of a felt hatt worth three shillings and fourpence, a russett-coloured cloak worth twenty shillings, a sword worth six shillings, a handkerchief worth fourpence, a pair of "boote hoosen" worth sixteen pence, a pair of bootes worth six shillings, a pair of spurres worth eight pence, a browne-baye horse worth four pounds, a saddle and bridle worth four shillings, a leather purse worth twelve pence, and four shillings in numbered money, being in the same purse. Over the name of each prisoner, the memorandum "*cognou' ind'cament' sus.*" Confessing the indictment, they were both sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 Sept., 4 Eliz.

— 4 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that the inhabitants of the parish of St. Clement Danes "*extra barr' novi templi London co. Midd. infra libertat' dne Regine Ducat sui Lancastr'*" have had from 1 December 3 Elizabeth even till now in the said parish neither stockes nor a cage nor buttes, as by the statute touching those matters they ought to have.

30 MAY, 5 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islyngton co. Midd. on the said day, Christofer Jakson late of London yoman stole a black gelding worth sixteen pounds, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Percy of Islyngton esq. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Christofer Jakson was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

14 JUNE, 5 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Clement's-Danes within the Duchy of Lancaster, on view of the body of Robert Bocken late of the said parish, there lying dead: With Verdict that on the —th inst. about four p.m. the said Robert Bocken went into the Thames near the Savoy Steyres with the intention of bathing in the river (*ea intencione vt navigaret et seipsum lavaret*), and that whilst in the water he was seized with the cramp so that he

could not get out of the water, and consequently was drowned. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

25 JULY, 5 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Ickenham co. Midd. on the said day, John Smyth gentleman, Edmund Smyth gentleman, Hawtrey Smyth gentleman, Robert Barenger yoman, Thomas Vyncent laborer, Robert Upton laborer, James Barenger . . . ., Richard Herne yoman, Richard Cluck laborer, George Dovey laborer, Richard Chambre laborer, Richard Stanbridge carpenter, John Ferne laborer, John . . . . husbondman, Amphillisia Leuell spinster, Alice Adams widow, Isabel Hale spinster, Agnes Hale . . . ., all late of Ryslippe co. Midd., and Goodlack Drawater laborer, John Smyth laborer, John Adams laborer, William Waite laborer, Thomas Smyth laborer, Isabel Smyth spinster, and Margaret Exton spinster assembled in warlike manner, and broke riotously into the close of William Says gentleman, and unlawfully carried away four wain-loads of wheat there late growing, belonging to the said William Says and worth twelve pounds. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

— AUGUST, 5 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Olde Braneford co. Midd. on view of the body of Margaret Chaunte, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 12th inst. in the said parish, the said Margaret Chaunt, at the instigation of the devil, put an end to her life by cutting her throat with a knife worth two-pence, so that she died on the same day. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

— AUGUST, 5 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Clarkenwell co. Midd. on view of the body of a certain male infant: With Verdict that, on the 9th inst. in a bedroom in the dwelling house of Rose Mannynge widow at Clarkenwell, Joan Damporte late of the said parish spynster brought forth the said infant, living at the time of birth, and forthwith assaulted and murdered it. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

18 AUGUST, 5 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hampton co. Midd. on view of the body of George Norton, late of the said parish yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 14th inst. about eight p.m. at Hampton, a certain Thomas Tymperley late of the same parish esq. was shooting with bow and arrow at certain goals in the Great Parke of Hampton aforesaid, when he shot from his bow an arrow, that, striking George Norton on the head, gave him a mortal blow, of which he died on the following day.—This detached parchment is so mutilated and defaced that it no longer affords some particulars requisite for a more full and precise account of the misadventure.

24 AUGUST, 5 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Paul Bande, late of London yoman, stole two gold rings

worth thirty shillings, and a gold ring with a precious stone called "a cornelye" set in it worth eight shillings, of the goods and chattels of Richard Whetnall. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Paul Bande asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

25 AUGUST, 5 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Sunburye co. Midd. on view of the body of Francis Burdenals late of the said parish carter: With Verdict that he died on the 19th inst. at Sunburye aforesaid by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

27 AUGUST, 5 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on view of the body of John Hutte late of the said city yoman: With Verdict that he died in the said city, on the 25th inst. about eight p.m., by Divine Visitation and not from being beaten (et non ex verberacione aliqua obiit). G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

4 SEPTEMBER, 5 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fyncheley co. Midd. in the night of the said day, Thomas Turner yoman, John Church yoman, and . . . yoman, all three late of London, broke burglariously into the house of Stephen Walbancke, and stole therefrom divers pieces of woollen thread called "wollen yearne" worth twenty shillings, divers pieces of "lynnyn yearne" worth twenty shillings, and a piece of woollen cloth called "a remnant of cloth" worth three shillings, and a piece of linen cloth worth three shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Stephen Walbanck. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Thomas Turner and John Church were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

17 OCTOBER, 5 ELIZABETH.—True Bill of the said date, that at High-holburne co. Midd. on the night of the said day, Gilbert Hawkyns and Marmaduke Huyson *alias* Clerke, late of London yomen, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Christopher Barnerde at High-holburne co. Midd., and stole therefrom "sex catinas argenti vocatas silver plattes, xii pecias argenti vocatas small silver disshes, xii acetabulos argenti vocatos silver sawcers, duas calices argenti vocatas silver bowles, duas alias calices argenti vocatas silver saltes, duo pocula argenti vocata aile pottes, et sex coclearia argenti vocata silver spoynes, continent' per estimacionem iiii C et L vncias ad valenciam cxl<sup>li</sup>.", of the goods and chattels of Peter Nott gentleman; and further that Roger Tanner late of Westminster co. Midd. yoman, knowing the said burglary to have been committed by the said Gilbert Hawkyns and Marmaduke Huyson *alias* Clerk, after its commission aided and comforted the said two burglars.—A memorandum at the foot of the bill certifies that, at the Session held on 3 December 8 Eliz., Gilbert Hawkyns was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 10 Oct., 7 Eliz.

11 NOVEMBER, 5 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Chesweke co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Diconson gentleman, Thomas Howard yoman, both late of Westminster, Thomas Pynchester late of Chesweke yoman, and Joan Sheefe late of London widow, broke into the dwelling-house of William Typsell gentleman, and stole therefrom two fyne paire of sheetes worth forty shilings, and two woollen cloth coats lined with lambs' and conyes' skins worth five pounds. All the persons so indicted were at large. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

16 NOVEMBER, 5 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hackney co. Midd. on view of the body of Henry Goslinge, late the servant of Sir Roger Cholmeley knt., there lying dead: With Verdict that, as he was journeying in his said master's service with instructions for George Lynnet, constable of Hackney, the said Henry Goslinge came into conflict with one James Jacques *alias* Gambold late of . . . yoman and one John de Love *alias* Wolfe late of Stebunhethe yoman, when he (the said Henry Goslinge) and James Jacques drew their swords and fought together, in which affray the said James, being aided and abetted by John de Love, with his sword gave Henry Goslinge on the back and left part of his head a mortal wound, of which he died on the 15th inst. On his arraignment John de Love put himself 'Not Guilty' and was acquitted. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that, at the Gaol Delivery of 18 Dec., 7 Eliz., James Jaques produced in court the Queen's Pardon under the Great Seal of his felony in slaying Henry Goslinge, dated on some day of the last previous month. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

— NOVEMBER, 5 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on view of the body of Margaret Yeoghen late of the said parish, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 13th inst. between six and seven p.m. in the dwelling-house of Nicholas Yemans of the aforesaid parish, Margaret Yeoghen at the instigation of the devil put an end to her own life by hanging herself with a . . . (? girdle) worth two-pence, to a certain beam of the same house, against the peace crown and dignity of the Lady the Queen. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

2 DECEMBER, 6 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Iseldon co. Midd. on the said day, Mathew Rayner, William Myles, William Fowler, and Bartholomew Whytt *alias* Grey, all late of London yomen, stole a baye stonyd horse worth three pounds, a dunne gelding worth fifty-three shillings and four pence, and a black "curtall geldinge" worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Franke. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Matthew Rayner and William Myles were sentenced to be hung. Putting himself 'Not Guilty,' Bartholomew Whytt was acquitted. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Fowler was reprieved

without judgment. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that on 31 July, 6 Eliz., William Fowler produced in court the Queen's Pardon under the Great Seal, dated 19 June last past. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

5 DECEMBER, 6 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Highegate within the parish of St. Pancras co. Midd. (apud Highegate infra parochiam Sancti Pancratii) on the said day, John Crofton late of London tailor stole a linen shirt worth four shillings, of the goods and chattels of Roger Cholmeley in the custody of William Robinson, one of the Queen's servants, and two linen shirts worth four shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Robinson aforesaid. Putting himself 'Guilty' and pleading his clergy, John Crofton was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 15 Dec., 6 Eliz.

26 MARCH, 6 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the Ambery in the city of Westminster, on view of the body there lying dead of Cecilia, late the wife of William Erle of the same city yoman: With Verdict that, on the 24th inst. between seven and eight p.m., the said William Erle and his wife Cecilia went together to drink at the house of a certain William Maddoges in Westminster, and after drinking there for an hour and half went to the house of one Richard Wyse for more drinking, where they stayed drinking for an hour, when they returned to their own house; That, after returning with him to their own house, Cecilia spoke so abusively to her husband as to make him give her a slap and go off to bed, leaving her in the hall of the house, where she remained all night, till on rising from his bed William Erle found her in a prostrate condition, and carried her to the bed in which he placed her and left her for a time; And that, on returning to her three hours later, William Erle found her dead,—she having, in the opinion of the jurors, died on the 25 inst. about nine p.m. of a certain malady called *The Mother* (de quodam morbo anglice vocato *the Mother*).

16 MAY, 6 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on view of the body of Agnes Peter widow, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 14th inst. between four and five p.m., the same Agnes Peter was in an upper room of the dwelling-house of her mistress Catherine Coffin, in order that she might prepare supper for her mistress, when she heard someone knocking at the door, and that in going downstairs to the door she fell down the same stairs; from the effects of which fall she died on the following day. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 6 Eliz.

20 JUNE, 6 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day Richard Smallman of Finnesbury co. Midd. wyndemyller gave his servant Richard Hayward, who then served the said Richard Smallman in the art of a windmill, two shillings a-week for his stipend, amounting in



the whole year to one hundred and four shillings, against the form of a certain Statute of 5 Eliz., and against the tenor and effect of the same Queen's proclamation, recently made in Middlesex, for and concerning the wages of artificers, laborers and servants in the said county. G. D. R., 26 Sept., 7 Eliz.

4 AUGUST, 6 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Endfylde co. Midd., on view of the body of Alice Emerye late of the said parish spinster, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 2nd inst. between two and three p.m., the said Alice Emerye in the said parish and at the instigation of the devil put an end to her life by hanging herself with a halter, worth one halfpenny. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 6 Eliz.

12 AUGUST, 6 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day in the highway at Hamersmyth co. Midd., Elen Pride late of London spinster assaulted Elen Abraham, wife of Gilbert Abraham, and robbed her of a silver-gilt ring worth two shillings, nine linen handkerchers worth twelve shillings, two linen "rayles" worth twenty pence, three linen kerchers worth four shillings, a linen coverlet worth three shillings and four pence, and two shillings and fourpence in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of the same Gilbert Abraham. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Elen Pride pleaded her pregnancy. On being found 'Not Pregnant,' by a jury of matrons, she was sentenced to be hung. G. D., . . . , Eliz.

15 AUGUST, 6 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on view of the body of Anne Chambers *alias* Gunstone late of the Great Sanctuary in the said city spinster: With Verdict that, on the 13th inst. about 1 p.m., Elizabeth Neale being in her usual habitation within the Great Sanctuary struck, trod on and bit the said Anne, and again on the same day between eight and nine p.m. of the same day struck the said Anne, and with her right foot gave the said Anne a blow in the body, of which she died on the following day; and that by the said blow Elizabeth Neale murdered the said Anne. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 6 Eliz.

21 AUGUST, 6 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hendon co. Midd. on view of the body of Hugh Lewys, there lying dead: With Verdict that, at Hendon on the 15th inst. Ralph Houghton, late of Hendon yoman, assaulted the same Hugh Lewys and then and there murdered him by giving him with a dagger a mortal wound in the left side, of which wound he died on the present 21st of August. At the foot of the bill, this memorandum—"Et p'dcus Rad'us Houghton po se sed Jur' dic' qd. non est Culpabil' de murdro sed dic' qd. est Culpabil' de homicidio et felonica interfeccio'e p'd'ci Hugonis Lewys, Et p'd' Hugo (*sic*) pet' libru' non legit vt clericus

I'o sus." And the aforesaid Ralph Houghton puts himself, but the jurors say that he is not Guilty of murder, but say that he is Guilty of homicide and the felonious slaying of the aforesaid Hugh Lewys; And the aforesaid Hugh [it should be Ralph] asks for the book, does not read like a clerk:—Therefore, Let him be hung. G. D. R., 6 Oct. 6 Eliz.

8 SEPTEMBER, 6 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Golding lane in St. Giles's-without-Creplegate co. Midd., on view of the body of Margaret Carter late of the same place, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 6th inst. between three and four p.m. at Golding Lane aforesaid, the same Margaret uttered insulting words to Prudence Langhan, wife of John Langhan of Golding Lane laborer, on account of which insulting speech Alice Huggens, late of the same lane, spinster and servant of the same John and Prudence Langhan, lead the same Margaret out of the said John Langhan's house by the arm; and That half-an-hour later, on coming to a certain paling near her own house and at the back part of John Langhan's house, the said Margaret saw Alice drawing water from a well close at hand, and taking up a stone threw it at the same Alice, so that it hit her on the hand, whereupon the same Alice taking up a vessel full of water threw it at Margaret; and That in drawing back quickly, so as to avoid the vessel and water thus thrown at her, Margaret Carter fell backwards into the well, and so by mischance was drowned in the same well. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 6 Eliz.

30 NOVEMBER, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Highholburne co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Culby *alias* Thomas Fulverstone late of London yoman stole a grey gelding, worth six pounds fourteen shillings and fourpence, of the goods and chattels of Bartholomew Skerne gentleman. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 7 Eliz.

19 JANUARY, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, David Ellis late of London yoman stole and carried off "vnum lavarium vocatum a barbors basen de quodam metallo vocato latton ad valenciam iis. vi<sup>d</sup>., vnum poculum vocatum a latten pott ad valenciam iis. vi<sup>d</sup>., tres tonsorias vocatas rasors ad valenciam iiis., un' forfex voc' a pare of sheres ad valenciam iis. vi<sup>d</sup>., dua pectina vocata combes ad valenciam viii<sup>d</sup>., et vnum instrumentum music, vocatum a pare of Clavicordes ad valenciam iiij<sup>s</sup>., et vnum instrumentum musicu' vocatum a Griterne ad valenciam ij<sup>s</sup>." of the good and chattels of William Swayne at Westminster aforesaid. Putting himself 'Guilty,' David Ellis was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 7 Eliz.

23 JANUARY, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's-Danes-without-the-bars of the New Temple co. Midd. on the said day, John

Dull late of London yoman stole "unum annulum de auro vocat' a hoope of golde" worth twenty-four shillings, and seven shillings and ninepence in numbered money, of the goods and chattels and moneys of John Arnold. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Dull pleaded his clergy. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 7 Eliz.

12 FEBRUARY, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Kentisstowne co. Midd. on the said day, John Cosen and Thomas Dight, both late of Islington yomen, broke into the close of Thomas Kerbie and stole therefrom two black steeres, worth fifty shillings each, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Earl of Sussex. Both cattle-stealers put themselves 'Guilty': John Cosen pleading his clergy was delivered to the Ordinary; judgment on Thomas Dight was deferred till the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 7 Eliz.

16 FEBRUARY, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Henry Livers, William Smyth and Thomas Marten, all late of London yomen, stole and carried off a silke hat worth thirteen shillings and eight pence, and a covering of linen cloth worth five shillings. All three admitted their guilt; whereupon Henry Livers was sentenced to be hung, but William Smyth and Thomas Marten, pleading their clergy and reading like clerks, were delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 7 Eliz.

24 FEBRUARY, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shordyche co. Midd. on the said day about eight a.m., Humfrey Perwige *alias* Peroge, of Hogsdon co. Midd. yoman, entered the church of Shordyche aforesaid in time of divine service, and irreverently disturbed and molested Nicholas Dangell *alias* Evans, the minister there constituted and, in the presence of all the parishioners there hearing the same divine service, called the same Nicholas "Vyle knave, Turd in the tethe knave," against the form of the statute in that case provided. G. S. P., . . . , 7 Eliz.

" " , 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, a certain highway at Highegate Hill in the parish of Islington co. Midd., near the Spittelhouse there, is in decay and want of repair, and that the people of Islington ought and have been accustomed to repair the same way. G. S. P., . . . , 7 Eliz.

18 MAY, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hownslowe co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Gregory late of Cheam co. Surrey laborer and Richard Hyde late of Ewell co. Surrey laborer stole fifteen wether sheep worth four pounds ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Walter Marchall, thirteen wether sheep worth fifty-three shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Blake, eight wether sheep worth thirty-six shillings and fourpence, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Killik, and six wether sheep worth twenty-four shillings, of the goods

and chattels of Robert Shott. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' both sheepstealers were sentenced to be hung. But afterwards (it appears from a clerical note at the foot of the bill), at the Gaol Delivery of 20 Jan., 9 Eliz., it was adjudged that "*Richard Hide iret inde sine die virtute actus libere perdonacionis de anno octavo Domine Regine nunc.*" G. D. R., 6 June, 7 Eliz.

31 May, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington in the night of the said day, Richard Haies late of London yoman broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Robert Pearce, and stole therefrom "*sex paropsides vocat' platters de electro*" worth eight shillings, five pewter dysshes (*patinas de electro*), a pewter bason worth two shillings, two vessels "*de metallo vocat' Latton*" worth two shillings and sixpence, . . . pewter sawcers worth two shillings, two pewter pots worth three shillings and four pence, and two other pewter pots worth three shillings, a pewter cup worth twelve pence, another pewter cup worth sixpence, and a stone pott worth eightpence, of the goods and chattels of the same Robert Pearce; and That, knowing him to have perpetrated the said felony, Nicholas Procter late of London yoman received aided and comforted the said Richard Haies on the same day, after the commission of the said felony. Confessing the indictment, Richard Haies was sentenced to be hung. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Nicholas Procter asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 6 June, 7 Eliz.

10 JUNE, 7 ELIZABETH.—Bill that William Heyber, late of South Mymmes co. Midd. gentleman, at the parish of South Mymmes afore-said took a blak garled cowe bullock worth sixteen shillings, and another blak garled cowe bullock worth sixteen shillings, and a dunne cowe bullock worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of George Joreston of Waltham Crosse in the parish of Cheston co. Hert. yoman, and kept the same three coves from the said 10th of June until the following Easter, with the intention of defrauding the said George Joreston of them. Endorsed "*Billa Vera for trespass.*" G. S. P. R., Easter, 8 Eliz.

26 JUNE, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Sandon co. Essex on the said day, Thomas Blades late of London yoman stole two oxen of divers colours worth forty shillings each, and a cow "*coloris brandid*" worth twenty-six shillings and eightpence, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Halliwell husbandman. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Blades asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 13 July, 7 Eliz.

1 JULY, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Seynt John's Strete co. Midd. on the said day Robert Bockett of Fynnesbury bocher incited and caused John Jenkes, then in the service of Thomas Butterworth,

to withdraw from the said service before the end of the term agreed upon between the said Thomas and John. G. D. R., 26 Sept., 7 Eliz.

18 JULY, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Westminster, John Bretheryck late of London yoman stole a black woollen-cloth tunic worth thirty shillings, "*tres olas electri vocatas bowe pottes ad valenciam xviii<sup>l</sup>z*," three cushions worth twenty shillings, an old Turkey carpett worth five shillings, a black chamlet kyrtill trimmed with black velvet worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Anthony Silver. *Po se cul ca null Sus*. G. D. R., 10 Oct., 7 Eliz.

31 JULY, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shordiche co. Midd. on the said day, Edmund Owett gardener, Redmond Owett gardener and Christiana Owett spynster, all three late of Sowthewarke co. Surrey, assaulted a certain William Welshe, and that Edmund Owett aforesaid then and there with a staff gave the same William on his head a mortal blow, of which he died on the 7th of August next following, and that Redmond Owett and Christiana Owett aided and abetted the said Edmund Owett, in thus murdering William Welshe. Putting himself 'Not Guilty' of murder, but 'Guilty' of homicide, Edmund was sentenced to be hung. Redmond and Christiana put themselves 'Not Guilty' and did not retract. G. D., . . . , Eliz.

5 AUGUST, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in his dwelling-house at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, John Beamond assaulted Anne Sellett, an infant six years old, "*et ipsam Annam . . . contra voluntatem ejusdem Anne felonice rapuit et carnaliter cognovit*." Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Beamonde asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 26 Sept., 7 Eliz.

7 AUGUST, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Mary-at-Strande co. Midd. on the said day, Edith Sawnders late of London spynster stole a parcel-gilt goblett of sylver worth four marks, and six silver spoons worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Goldwell gentleman. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Edith Sawnders pleaded pregnancy. At a subsequent Session, held on 3 December 8 Elizabeth, a jury of matrons finding her pregnant, she was reprieved without sentence till she should be delivered of her child. At the Gaol Delivery held on 20 January 9 Elizabeth, before Christopher Draper, Mayor of the city of London, and other Justices, it was agreed that the aforesaid Edith Sawnders "*iret inde sine die virtute actus libere per donacionis di anno octavo domine Regine*." G. D. R., 10 Oct., 7 Eliz.

9 AUGUST, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martyn's-in-the-Fields near Charing Crosse co. Midd. on the said day, William Bache late of London yoman stole a parcel-gilt silver goblet worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Ode of Milkstrete, London-

Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Bache asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 10 Oct. 7 Eliz.

20 AUGUST, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Heyes co. Midd. in the night of the said day, Nicholas Fox late of London yoman and Anne Robyns late of London spynter broke burglariously into the dwellinghouse of James Nellam, and stole therefrom two linen sheets worth fifteen shillings, two linen table-cloths worth five shillings, three table napkyns worth eighteen pence, three linen smockes worth three shillings, a linen shirt worth eighteen pence, "et quatuor ventralia vocat' aprons panni linei ad valenciam iiis.," of the goods and chattels of the said James Nellam. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Nicholas Fox was sentenced to be hung. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Anne Robyns pleaded pregnancy; and afterward, viz. at the Gaol Delivery of 3 Dec. 8 Eliz., she was found 'Not Pregnant' by a jury of matrons, and sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 10 Oct., 7 Eliz.

24 SEPTEMBER, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and at other times within the last two years Richard Wakefelde of Westminster has exercised the art of a carpenter, without having ever been an apprentice in the same. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 8 Eliz.

16 OCTOBER, 7 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at St. James's Feldes in the parish of St. Margaret's Westminster on the said day, Robert Egles, Edward Barrondine *alias* Barrington, and John Clerk, all late of London yomen, together assaulted Robert Bryan of London yoman, and then and there robbed him of a skye-culowered woollen-cloth cloak worth thirty-three shillings and fourpence, a sword worth six shillings and eight-pence, and a buckler worth six shillings and eight-pence, of the goods and chattels of John Litcott esq., in the custody of the same Robert Bryan. All three prisoners put themselves 'Guilty.' G. D. R., 26 April, 8 Eliz.

17 DECEMBER, 8 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Thomas Madder late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Thomas died within the gaol on the 15th inst., by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 19 Dec., 8 Eliz.

22 FEBRUARY, 8 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Katherine's co. Midd. on the said day, Roger Herne late of London yoman broke into the house of Elizabeth Wylloughby widow, "apud villam St. Katerine," and stole therefrom a goblett of sylver parcell-gilte worth five pounds, a parcell-gilt silver salsarium worth forty shillings, ten parcell-gilt silver spoons worth three pounds six shillings and eight-pence, and a silver gilt "castinge bottell" worth forty-three shillings. Pleading 'Guilty,' Roger Herne asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was handed over to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 26 April, 8 Eliz.

31 MARCH, 8 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Martyn-in-the-Feld George Wylson late of Westminster yoman stole a pair of carnacion-coloured stockens and a pair of red stockens, worth four shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Dowlinge hosteller. George Wylson pleaded guilty, asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 26 April, 8 Eliz.

13 APRIL, 8 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Clerkenwell on the said day Richard Price, late of London yoman, assaulted Robert Griffith, and robbed him of a man's gowne of blewe chamlett faced with Fox worth five pounds and "vnum pallium de panno laneo vocatum a cloke of frezeado," of the goods and chattels of John Appleyarde esquire. Richard Price put himself 'Not Guilty' and did not retract, and was acquitted (Id' Q<sup>s</sup> = Ideo Quietus). G. D. R., 26 April, 8 Eliz.

14 APRIL, 8 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Goldinge lane co. Midd. on the said day, Daniel Podivate late of London yoman stole five shillings of numbered money, a hatt worth three shillings and fourpence, a pair of white woollen-cloth breeches worth six shillings and eightpence, a pair of silver hooks worth two shillings and sixpence, a handkerchef worth twelve pence, and a pair of leather gloves worth fourpence, of the goods chattels and moneys of Robert Bunby. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Daniel Podivate was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 26 April, 8 Eliz.

17 APRIL, 8 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington on the said day, Thomas Sore late of London cordewayner stole a carpette of nedle worke worth twenty marks, of the goods and chattels of Paul Dayrell esq. Thomas Sore put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 26 April, 8 Eliz.

16 SEPTEMBER, 8 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that George Wilton, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, kept at Seynt John's Streyt co. Midd. a melting house, in which he made candles of tallowgh, called talloughcandells, where no such occupation was heretofore kept, to the great injury of his neighbours, against the form of divers statutes in that case provided. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 8 Eliz.

19 SEPTEMBER, 8 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of Stebunheth co. Midd. on view of the body of Mathew Parrey late of the said parish laborer, there lying dead: 'With Verdict that, on the 4th day of last August between two and three p.m., the said Mathew Parrey was lying asleep and hidden from view in a little ditch near the Limehouse buttes, in the Lyttell Felde of Stebunheth, when William Becket of the said parish limeburner, then shooting in the company of other archers shooting with long bows, shot in

the direction of the goal an arrow, that after falling slipt along the ground into the ditch, and by mischance gave the said Mathew a wound on the fore part of his head, of which wound he languished till the 19th day of the said August, when he died thereof.—The length of the time between the death and inquest is noteworthy. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 8 Eliz.

26 SEPTEMBER, 8 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Marie Matefelon *alias* Whitechappell co. Midd. on view of the body of William Barnes late of the said parish shoemaker, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 11th day of last August between six and seven p.m., the said William Barnes, at Spytte Felde *alias* Fleming Nose (? Close) in the parish of Stebunheth, came to the common marks called twelve-score-pricks in the said field, to see and watch certain archers and archery practice, then being at the said marks ; when Francis Ellman of Roydon co. Herteforde brickmaker shot an arrow that, being carried out of its course by the force of a strong wind, struck the said William Barnes on the head, albeit all the archers and other watchers of the shooting called out to him to beware of the danger and avoid the arrow ; And That from the wound so given him on the said 11th of August last the said William languished and died by mischance on the 15th day of the same month.—The length of the time between death and the inquest is remarkable. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 8 Eliz.

3 OCTOBER, 8 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Parker late of London bocher stole two cows worth forty shillings each, of the goods and chattels of George Addison. "Po se cul ca null repri sine judicio pro cert' caus' Cur' moven'." He put himself 'Guilty,' had no chattels, and was reprieved without judgment, for certain reasons moving the Court. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 8 Eliz.

13 OCTOBER, 8 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, William Hauworth late of London laborer entered the dwelling-house of John Becon, and stole therefrom eleven shillings of numbered money, of the goods and chattels of the same John Becon. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Hauworth was reprieved without judgment on account of boyish age (rep<sup>i</sup>. sine judicio propter pueril' etatem) ; and afterwards, at the Gaol Delivery of 3 Oct. 9, Eliz., he produced the Queen's Pardon under the Great Seal, dated 18 . . . 9 Eliz., and prayed humbly that it might be allowed to him. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 9 Eliz.

6 NOVEMBER, 8 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day, John Kyrbye late of London tailour stole a browne-bay mare worth thirty-three shillings, of the goods and chattels of Agnes Lampard widow and Richard Welles. Putting himself



'Guilty,' John Kyrbye was sentenced to be hung; but afterwards, viz. at the Gaol Delivery of 3 Oct., 9 Eliz., John Kyrbye produced the Queen's Pardon of his felony under the Great Seal, dated 18 June of the same year. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 9 Eliz.

20 NOVEMBER, 9 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Maryboorne co. Midd. on view of the body of Richard Weekes late of . . . yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 16th inst., between night and nine p.m., the said Richard Weekes was in God's and the Queen's Peace at a certain place in Paddington co. Midd., called "le stoupe," when Christopher Mylles late of Paddington aforesaid tailor assaulted him and murdered him, by giving him on the right part of his neck with a piked staffe a mortal wound, of which he died on the present 20th inst. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 9 Eliz.

21 NOVEMBER, 9 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Richard Starkey gentleman: With Verdict that Richard Starkey died within the gaol on the 20th inst., by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 9 Eliz.

30 NOVEMBER, 9 ELIZABETH.—Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hackney co. Midd. on view of the body of Richard Mellers late of the said parish sawyer, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 15 October, 8 Elizabeth between the hours of seven and eight p.m. the said Richard Mellers was in God's and the Queen's peace in the house of Humfrey Elsemoore at Whitechappell, when Henry Jeyes *alias* Gibbes, late of Whitechappell weaver, came and feloniously assaulted and murdered him with a boocher's knife, giving him with that weapon a wound between the ribs on his left side, of which wound the said Richard Mellers languished till he died thereof on the 23rd day of the same October. Further, the Jury say that immediately after committing the said murder the said Henry Jeyes *alias* Gybbes fled by night: The jury further saying they do not know what goods, chattels, lands or tenements the said murderer had on the day, on which the said Richard Mellers died. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 9 Eliz.

3 APRIL, 9 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martyns-in-Lez-Feildes co. Midd. on the said day, William Donne late of Westminster laborer stole a black velvett capp worth five shillings, two yardes of russet sarce-nett worth ten shillings, and ten pounds in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of William Burne. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Donne was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 28 May, 9 Eliz.

6 MAY, 9 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. John's Strete co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Roockewood late of London yoman stole a cote of grograyne worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Pegesworth. Pleading his clergy, Robert Roockewood was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 28 May, 9 Eliz.

8 MAY, 9 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's-Danes-with-out-the-bars of the New Temple co. Midd. on the said day, John Johnson late of London yoman stole "*unum jocale auri vocat' a Tablett ad valenciam xli.*," of the goods and chattels of Humfrey Dampart. Pleading his clergy, John Johnson was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 28 May, 9 Eliz.

16 MAY, 9 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in a certain stable being parcel of a messuage called The Swanne in Saint John's Strete co. Midd., William Porter of the said street bocher, on the day aforesaid and at divers times before and afterwards, killed swine, oxen and calves, making there a slaughterhouse, where no slaughterhouse formerly existed, to the nuisance and inconvenience of his neighbours. G. D. R., 28 May, 9 Eliz.

20 MAY, 9 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hownslowe co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Bond late of the same place yoman, stole two garmentsworth three shillings and four pence each, of the goods and chattels of Edmund Wyndham gentleman, and a gray gelding worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Sir John Windham knt. Putting himself 'Guilty,' he was sentenced to be hung. Afterwards, at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate held on 16 February, 11 Elizabeth, he produced the Queen's Pardon of the said felony, granted to him by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, dated 1 December of the same eleventh year of her reign. G. D. R., 28 May, 9 Eliz.

22 MAY, 9 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Endfeilde co. Midd. on view of the body of William Woodland late of Mores Hatche laborer, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said William died at Mores Hatche on the 19th inst., by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 28 May, 9 Eliz.

26 MAY, 9 ELIZABETH.—True bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Hugh Lewes late of London yoman stole three great purses called bagges worth six shillings and eightpence, nine leather purses worth six shillings and eight pence, five leather girdles worth five shillings, nine pair of shoes worth five shillings, "*quatuor specula de vitro vocat' Lokinge Glasses*" worth three shillings, a pair of stockings worth twenty pence, eighteen pairs of knives worth ten shillings, forty-seven pairs of gloves worth twenty shillings, three thousand pynnes worth two shillings, two pairs of painted cards worth six pence, of the goods and chattels of William Tytly. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Hugh Lewes was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 28 May, 9 Eliz.

15 DECEMBER, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at eleven p.m. in the night of the said day at St. Clement's-Danes co. Midd., William Harrison and John Humfrey, both late of London yomen, broke into the house of Edmund Wynchester at St. Clement's Danes, and

stole therefrom "*quatuor thoraces vocat' Spanishe lether jerkins ad valemciam xxvis.*" of the goods and chattels of the said Edmund, and eight other Spanishe lether jerkins worth three pounds, and "*duos diploides de cores ad valenciam iis.,*" of the goods and chattels of some unknown man, then in the keeping of the said Edmund. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Harrison was sentenced to be hung; John Humfrey was at large. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 10 Eliz.

6 JANUARY, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Seynt Johnes Strete co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Hodgeson, late of London taylor, stole a black woollen-cloth cloke worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Humfrey Assfeld gentleman. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Robert Hodgeson asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 10 Eliz.

14 JANUARY, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hendon co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Lane late of London yoman stole five sheep worth twenty shillings of the goods and chattels of William Brent, another sheep worth five shillings of the goods and chattels of Richard Brent, and another sheep worth five shillings of the goods and chattels of Joan Brent. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Lane was sentenced to be hung; but at a subsequent Gaol Delivery, he produced the Queen's Pardon of his felony, under the Great Seal, dated at Gorhambury, 29 March 10 Eliz. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 10 Eliz.

16 JANUARY, 10 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Stebunheth co. Midd. on view of the body of Bryan Ewyn late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, in an affray (of which particulars are given in this calendar, under date 6 March 10 Eliz.) Nicholas Banckes late of Stebunheth maryner slew the same Bryan Ewen by giving him in the left side of his breast on the 14th inst. a mortal wound, of which he died instantly at the Ferry at Blackwall in Stebunheth. G. D. R., 3 May, 10 Eliz.

12 FEBRUARY, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clementes Danes-extra-Barras Novi Templi on the said day, Robert Steward, late of London yoman, stole three black woollen-cloth cloaks worth fifteen pounds, "*sex globulos de auro vocatos buttons ad valenciam iii li.*" a sword worth twenty shillings, and a buckler worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Diring esq. G. D., . . . 10 Eliz.

24 FEBRUARY, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day James Bearde late of London gentleman, Henry Lynforde *alias* Lytforde late of Haringaie co. Midd. yoman, Thomas Hardinge late of Highgate co. Midd., taillour, Andrew Browne late of London yoman, Henry Hansell late of Strowde Grene co. Midd. laborer, with

ten unknown malefactors forcibly expelled William Proctour of London goldsmith from a messuage or tenement and forty-eight acres of field and pasture, lying at Strowde Grene in the parish of Hernsey co. Midd., and having so dispossessed him of the said messuage and land still keep him out of the same. G. D. R., 3 May, 10 Eliz.

6 MARCH, 10 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Stebunheth co. Midd. on view of the body of John ap Jennour late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, between three and four p.m. of the 14th of January last past, Nicholas Bankes late of Stebunheth aforesaid was at Lymehouse in that parish, in God's and the Queen's peace, when John ap Jennour aforesaid, and Bryan Ewyn and Peter Dyckson, both late of London yomen, came and abused the same Nicholas Bankes with insulting words, and 'vi et armis' assaulted him, whereupon William Pemerton, Edward Taylor and Richard Rawson (all three late of Stebunheth mariners, and familiar friends of Nicholas Bankes) uttered insulting words, after which parleying, both parties of disputants went on the same day from Lymehouse to the Ferrye at Blackwall in the said parish ; And That, as soone as two parties had come to the same Ferrye, William Pemerton, Nicholas Banckes, Edward Taylor and Richard Rawson assaulted the aforesaid John ap Jennour, Brian Ewyn and Peter Dyckson, and that in the ensuing affray fought by the two parties, William Pemerton with a sword gave John ap Jennour on the fore part of his head a mortal wound, of which he died on the 5th of March next following.—On his arraignment for the manslaughter of John ap Jennour, William Pemerton pleaded his clergy and was delivered to the Ordinary. At subsequent Gaol Deliveries, Edward Taylor and Richard Rawson pleaded Pardons, granted to them under the Great Seal. No memorandum touching Nicholas Banckes, who appears from a previous Inquest (of 16 Jan., 10 Elizabeth) to have slain Bryan Ewyn in this brawl. G. D. R., 3 May, 10 Eliz.

21 MARCH, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stokenewington co. Midd. on the said day (being Lord's day), Robert Harrington clerk, John Sparke laborer, Roger Walsheman carpenter and Thomas Sheparde laborer, all of Haringsgaye *alias* Harnesey co. Midd., broke into the close of William Patten of Stokenewington esq., and trod down the grass growing there. G. S. P. R., Easter, 10 Eliz.

27 APRIL, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Turmylstrete co. Midd. on the said day, and at divers times before and afterwards, William Rock of St. Nicholas Shambles, London, kept hogs in a certain yard, and put the entrails of animals there, so that the said street and other neighbouring places were full of fetid and putrid stench. G. S. P. R., Easter, 10 Eliz.

5 AUGUST, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Gowlding Lane co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Truslove, late of the said lane clerk, stole "*vnam thoralem vocatam a coverlet ad valenciam iiiiis.*," a woman's kirthell of black worsted worth fifteen shillings, and an ell of canvas worth twelve pence. Pleading 'Guilty,' Thomas Truslove asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 10 Eliz.

7 AUGUST, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Alice Lawrence spinster broke open a certain close cupboard in the house of Robert Kendall gentleman, and stole therefrom *duo argentea pocula vocate Siluer ale pottes*," worth three pounds six shillings and eightpence each. Putting herself 'Not Guilty,' Alice Lawrence did not retract: the memorandum at the foot of the bill running thus, "*Et p'dicta Alicia po se non cul' nec recess*." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 10 Eliz.

19 AUGUST, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Tuttell Strete co. Midd. on the said day, Walter Fadie and Roger Nowell, both of London yomen, stole "*sex pecias electri vocatas quarte pottes ad valenciam xiiis.*, *vnam aliam peciam electri vocatam a pinte pott of pewter ad valenciam x*℥*.*, *vnam aliam peciam electri vocatam a potell pott ad valenciam iiii*℥*.*, *et vnam candelabrum vocatum a latten candelsticke ad valenciam iiii. de bonis et catallis cujusdam Adami Lambe*." Both thieves put themselves 'Guilty,' asked for the book, and after reading like clerks, were delivered to the Ordinary. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 10 Eliz.

30 AUGUST, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day John Band late of Seynt Johns Strete co. Midd. taylor, being under thirty years of age and unmarried and not in the service of any-one, and having neither forty shillings of rent per annum, nor goods or chattels to the value of ten pounds, on being lawfully required by Robert Daney taylor to serve him in the art and faculty of a taylor, for the wages appointed by the Justices of the Peace of the said county, altogether refused to do so, against the form of the statute in this case provided; and Further, that Walter Heathe and William Grymes of Seynt John's Strete aforesaid tailors on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards encouraged, entertained, abetted and comforted the said John Band, so that the aforesaid Robert Daney has been the less able to have and enjoy the services of the same John Band. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 10 Eliz.

13 NOVEMBER, 10 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at West Brainford co. Midd. on the said day, John Trull and John Fynche, both of Iver co. Buck. bochers, stole a red steere worth thirty-three shillings and four pence, and a red cow of the same value, of the goods and chattels of William Pierson.—G. D. R., 3 May, 11 Eliz.

31 JANUARY, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Woxbridge co. Midd. on the said day, Anthony Burne gentleman, Henry Willoughby gentleman and Abraham Mathewes yoman, all late of London, together with divers other unknown disturbers of the peace, assembled riotously and then and there beat, wounded and maltreated Robert Awdiens, the Queen's bailiff of the said town. G. S. P. R., Easter, 11 Eliz.

8 MARCH, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Lambe Corner in the parish of St. Clement-Danes without the bars of the New Temple on the said day, Richard Harrys late of Clement's Inne gentleman assaulted Adam Eyre, he being in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a dagger wounded him on the head, so as to draw blood and put him in danger of his life. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that, on the 4th of July next following at the Castell in Seynt John's Street, Richard Harrys was fined . . . s. by John Harrington, William Wighteman and Barnard Randolph esq. J.P. G. S. P. R., Easter, 11 Eliz.

26 MARCH, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harringay *alias* Harnesey co. Midd. on the said day, Martin Warner of Islington gentleman, Edward Bussell of Kentyshetowne laborer, and Christopher Dunston of Islington yoman, with four unknown persons, entered lawlessly and by force into a certain close of two acres, now or lately in the occupation of John Draiper, being the freehold of Robert Harrington clerk prebendary of the prebend of Browneswood in Harringay aforesaid, and disseised the said Robert Harrington of, and expelled the said John Draiper from the said close, and from that day even till now have kept and do keep them out of it. G. D. R., 6 June, 11 Eliz.

2 APRIL, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harnesey co. Midd. on the said day, William Paten of Stoke Newyngton co. Midd. gentleman, and John Ferne of the same place yoman, together with many unknown persons, assembled riotously and with arms and violence made unlawful entry on a certain close called "Lyttle Kyngsfyeld," being the freehold of Robert Harryngton clk., prebendary of the prebend of Browneswood of St. Paul's Church in London, and parcel of the said prebend, and having expelled the same Robert from it, and disseized him of it, still keep him out of it. G. S. P. R., Easter, 11 Eliz.

13 APRIL, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fynnesbury on the said day, Laurence Nashe, bailiff of the manor of Fynnesbury assaulted Robert Wyngfelde, and without any sufficient warrant and reasonable cause imprisoned the said Robert in a certain prison at Finnesbury, and kept him there for an hour-and-half. G. S. P. R., Easter, 11 Eliz.

19 APRIL, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackeney co. Midd. on the said day, John Swego of St. Helen's parish in London merchaunt . . . , with three unknown persons, made forcibly entry on a certain

messuage, called "the King's Place," being the freehold of the Lady Martha Carewe widow, and having expelled her from the messuage and disseized her of it, still keep her out of it. G. S. P. R., Easter, 11 Eliz.

29 APRIL, 11 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquest-post-mortem, taken at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields within the city of Westminster, on view of the body of George Varneham late of Richmond co. Surrey: With Verdict that, on the 27<sup>th</sup> instant between the hours of twelve and one p.m., Anthony Marten, one of the gentlemen-sewers of the Queen's Chamber, was at Whitehall in attendance on the Queen and serving at the said Queen's dinner in his office of 'Sewar,' when the aforesaid George, then being in the mansion house of a certain . . . , and knowing the aforesaid Anthony was in attendance and serving within the Queen's palace, with malice aforethought . . . and having a sword and buckler went to the said palace . . . , and there within the great gate of the Queen's aforesaid hospice went to the place called the Porter's Lodge . . . and waited for more than an hour the coming out of the said Anthony with the intention of attacking him. From the decipherable portions of the remnant of a decayed record it appears that after lying wait for and following him, George Varneham forced an affray on Anthony Martin, at a place somewhere near the bridge towards Scotland Gate, and within the verge of the court, and was on the point of striking at him with the intention of killing him, when in self-defence and for the preservation of his life Anthony Martin crossed swords with his assailant, and in the ensuing encounter gave George Varneham a wound in the left part of his breast of which he died on the following day; the verdict of the jurors being that Anthony committed homicide in self-defence, and without malice aforethought or any felonious motive. G. D. R., 6 June, 11 Eliz.

20 MAY, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shoreditch on the said day Richard Pryor, late of London yoman, stole a piece of linen cloth called "husewives clothe," containing twenty-five ells and worth forty shillings. Pleading guilty, Richard Pryor was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 6 June, 11 Eliz.

26 MAY, 11 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Southcot (one of the Queen's Justices ad Placita coram ipsa Regina tenenda) and Thomas Bromley esq. Solicitor-General, of Anthony Marten one of the gentlemen sewers of the Queen's Chamber, in the sum of a hundred marks; and of Ralph Calvey (one of the gentlemen attendants on the said Queen), Bartholomew Yorke of Richemont co. Surrey gentleman, Peter Pawlyn a grome of the said Queen's chamber, and Anthony Bybye another grome of the same chamber, in the sum of one hundred and sixty pounds: For the said Anthony Marten's

appearance at the next Gaol Delivery to be held at Newgate, to answer then and there all such things as may be objected against him on the Queen's part.—Also, taken on the same day before the same John Southcot and Thomas Bromley, the Recognizances of Thomas Edwards (servant of the aforesaid Anthony Marten) in the sum of forty pounds, and of the aforesaid Ralph Calveley, Bartholomew Yorke, Peter Pawlin and Anthony Bybye in the sum of eighty pounds each : For the appearance of the said Thomas Edwards at the next Gaol Delivery at Newgate, to answer to all such things as may be objected against him on the Queen's part. G. D. R., 6 June, 11 Eliz.

27 MAY, 11 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Southcot (one of the Queen's Justices "ad Placita coram ipsa Regina tenenda) of John Frye of the city of Westminster taillour, in the sum of twenty pounds, and of Richard Juxon of Westminster taillour, Richard Taillor of Westminster taillour, John Arnold of Sowthwarck co. Surrey taillour, and Henry Smith of Redding co. Bark. yoman, in the sum of forty pounds each : For the appearance of Elizabeth Frye, wife of the aforesaid John Frye, at the next Gaol Delivery at Newgate, to answer to all such things as may be then and there urged to her on the Queen's part. G. D. R., 6 June, 11 Elizabeth.

1 JUNE, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, near the highway at Edge-ware co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Fage late of Wilsdon co. Midd. and his wife Elizabeth assaulted Dorothea Gawyn, and robbed her of a felt hatt worth sixteen pence, two linen neckercheves worth six-pence, a linen aporne worth four pence, and a linen raile worth four pence. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Richard Fage was sentenced to be hung. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Elizabeth Fage pleaded pregnancy : and afterwards, viz. at the Gaol Delivery of 16 January, 12 Eliz., she was found 'pregnant' by a jury of matrons : and later still, viz. at the Gaol Delivery of 11 June, 13 Eliz., she was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 6 June, 11 Eliz.

19 JUNE, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fynchley co. Midd. on the said day, Geoffrey Poole late of London gentleman assaulted Edward Welshe husbandman, and murdered him by giving him with a sword a mortal wound on the left side of his breast, of which wound he then and there died instantly. Geoffrey Poole was at large. G. D. R., 10 April, 12 Eliz.

26 AUGUST, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards Mathew Vincent of Ickenham co. Midd. not having lands tenements rents or service to the value of forty shillings a year, kept and used dogs for coursing hares, nets, ferrets and dogs for chasing by scent (leporarios canes retia ferrett' et odorniscos) : and further that he, in company with others, broke at Hillingdon co.



Midd. into the free Warren of Edward, earl of Darbie, and there hunted the rabbits of the said Earl. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 11 Eliz.

10 OCTOBER, 11 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackney co. Midd. on the said day, and at divers times before and afterwards throughout five years, Elizabeth Mychell *alias* Spicer of the said parish has lived in adultery with Robert Spicer. G. S. P., . . . , 12 Eliz.

2 FEBRUARY, 12 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Johns Strete co. Midd. on the said day, William Tylynge late of London gardener stole six parcel-gilt silver spoons, worth fifty-four shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Tasker of London yoman. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Tylynge was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 10 April, 12 Eliz.

15 MARCH, 12 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Edmonton co. Midd. on the said day William Chapman, late of London yoman stole a cloth tunic "coloris shepes coller" worth . . . , of the goods and chattels of Francis Pigott; and "unum parr' caligarum panni lanei coloris nigri vocat' a paire of breches ad valenciam iis., vnum parr' calceorum ad valenciam vii<sup>d</sup>., et vnum al' parr' calceorum vocatorum 'pompes' ad valenciam viii<sup>d</sup>." of the goods and chattels of Roger Bygges. Pleading 'Guilty,' William Chapman was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 10 April, 12 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 12 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Katherin's co. Midd. on the said day, Cecilia Barker widow, late of London spinster (vidua nuper de London' spinster) stole a black cloth kyrtell, worth eight shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Taylor. Putting herself 'Not Guilty' and holding to the plea, Cecilia Barker was acquitted:—(Po se non cul' nec rec' Id' quiet'). G. D. R., 10 April, 12 Eliz.

— APRIL, 12 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the night of the . . . of the said month at . . . co. Midd., Robert Devenshire late of London yoman broke burglariously into the house of John Bamson, and stole therefrom a taffita hatt worth ten shillings, a felte hat worth two shillings, divers books worth four shillings, a case full of Spanish nedels worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Anthony Ryngewood, and a quilte worth ten shillings, and another coverlett worth ten shillings, and a pair of linen sheets, of the goods and chattels of John Bamson. Robert Devenshire put himself 'Not Guilty,' and did not retract. G. D. R., 10 April, 12 Eliz.

3 NOVEMBER, 12 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Johns Strete co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Williams late of London yoman stole a pair of linen sheets worth four shillings, two tablecloths worth three shillings, a linen towell worth twelve pence and "a paire of gurnesey stockes," of the goods and chattels of Robert Bradforde.

Putting himself 'Guilty,' Richard Williams pleaded his clergy : Whereupon William Pickeringe, following in behalf of the Queen, said that the prisoner was not entitled to the benefit of clergy, because under the name of Richard Phillippes *alias* Williams late of London yoman, for a certain felony committed by him at Highe Holbourne in former time, he was convicted a clerk and being burnt on his left hand was delivered to the keeping of the bishop of London, Ordinary of that place. To this, the record of the conviction being produced, the prisoner declared that he, Richard Williams now present, and the aforesaid Richard Phillippes *alias* Williams in former time convicted of felony were not one and the same person, but different persons, and begged that on that matter it might be enquired by the country. On the day appointed for this enquiry, Richard Williams having appeared under the custody of the gaoler, and the jury sworn to ascertain the truth having declared that the prisoner now present was the same person as the Richard Phillippes *alias* Williams, in former time convicted of felony and found to be a clerk, even as William Pickeringe had declared, it was ordered by the Court that he should be hung. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 13 Eliz.

4 MARCH, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Clerkenwell co. Midd. on the night of the said day, Richard Hall yoman, Anthony Houghton yoman, John Hodgekyson taylor, and Anthony Powell taylor, all of Charterhouse lane co. Midd., with eight unknown disturbers of the peace, assembled riotously and, armed with clubs, knives, daggers and other weapons, exercised and took upon themselves the office of the constables of St. John's Strete, without the knowledge of the said constable, and made watches at Clerkenwell, and in the same watches made arrests of suspected persons, and then wilfully permitted the same suspected persons to escape. G. S. P. R., Easter, 13 Eliz.

21 MARCH, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Eastmythefelde co. Midd. on the said day, Francisca Tenche *alias* Lukar late of London spinster stole a linen sheet worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Reginald Hollingeworthe. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Francisca pleaded that she was pregnant. Afterwards, at the Gaol Delivery made on 30 June 14 Elizabeth she produced the Queen's pardon of her aforesaid felony, sealed with the Great Seal and dated 24 December last past, "quam sibi humiliter petit allocari, super quo consideratum est quod eat inde sine die." G. D. R., . . . , 14 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, John Machell of Hackney gentleman removed and carried away a certain footbridge, lying between Tottenham Wilde Marshe and a piece of land called the Ney in the Queen's highway at Tottenham. G. S. P. R., Easter, 13 Eliz.

16 APRIL, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, the Lady Elizabeth Dennis of St. Johns Strete co. Midd. widow stopt and closed a certain ancient public footway, leading from St. Johns Strete aforesaid to St. Johns Lane. G. S. P. R., Easter, 13 Eliz.

20 APRIL, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Helen, wife of Robert Norrys *alias* Okey of Saint Johnes Strete co. Midd. yoman, entertained persons of ill fame and kept ill order at the house of the said Robert in the said street. G. S. P. R., Easter, 13 Eliz.

29 MAY, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hoxton co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Stevens and John Bales, both of London tallow chaundlers, and Thomas Hadden of Hoxton co. Midd. monyer, made forcible and lawless entry on two messuages and two cottages and fifteen acres of land with appurtenances, being the freehold of Helen Harreyonge widow, and expelled the same Helen from them, and having so disseized her of them on the said 18th of May still keep her out of them. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 13 Eliz.

20 JUNE, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Woxbridge co. Midd., Thomas Smythe of Wenloxbarne co. Midd. yoman, one of the Queen's takers and providers for wains and carts for ale and beer, by color of his office took extortionately five shillings of John Osmond, for the exoneration of the said John Osmond's wain : and also that in the same way and on the same day, he took and extorted thirteen shillings and eightpence at Ickenham co. Midd. from Thomas Nellam, and six shillings and eightpence at Ickenham from the aforementioned John Osmond. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 13 Eliz.

13 JULY, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Charterhouse co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Willoughbye late of London gentleman stole "vnam togam de mockadoe coloris blewe ad valenciam xls., vnum par' braccarum de coreo extract' cum serico coloris oerenge coller ad valenciam xls., vnam zonam de serico coloris purpell et ornatam cum argento," of the goods and chattels of Edward Deverox. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Willoughbye asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D., . . . , 13 Eliz.

18 JULY, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Hakney in the highway leading between Kyngsland and Newyngton, John Sheppard *alias* Coxe late of London shomaker assaulted Thomas Ferrys a bocher, and gave him with "a meate knyfe" in the fore part of his body, on the left side of his breast, a mortal wound of which he then and there died instantly. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Sheppard was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 13 Eliz.

20 JULY, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, William Burte late of London yoman stole "unum par' caligaram

vocatum a paire of man's hose extract' cum le mockadoe ad valenciam ijs. viii*l.*, vnum gladium de ferra et calibe ad valenciam ijs. vi*l.*" of the goods and chattels of Thomas Mitton. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Burte was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 13 Eliz.

20 AUGUST, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Woxbridge co. Midd. on the said day, Lewis Jones late of London yoman stole a green woollen-cloth cloak worth six shillings and eight pence, "unum diploidem de la canvas coloris yellowe ad valenciam ijs.," a woollen covering worth twenty pence, a pair of knives worth two pence, a felte hatt worth eight pence, a pillow worth eight pence, and thirteen shillings in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of Hugh Nevill. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Lewis Jones was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 13 Eliz.

23 AUGUST, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day, Elizabeth Phillipp late of London spinster stole three pieces of coined gold called soueraignes worth thirty shillings (tres pecias auri cuniat' Anglice voc' soueraignes ad valenciam xxxs.), two pieces of coined gold called Olde Angelles worth twenty shillings, and three pounds in numbered money, of the moneys of John Gatton. Elizabeth Phillipp put herself 'Guilty'; and afterwards at the Gaol Delivery of 3 Dec. 14 Eliz. she produced the Queen's special pardon under the Great Seal, dated 17 October 13 Eliz., which was allowed to her. G. D. R., . . . , 13 Eliz.

24 AUGUST, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Charterhowse Lane on the said day, William Whetley, late of London merchaunt tailor, stole and carried off a black woollen-cloth cloak worth thirty shillings, of the goods and chattels of some unknown man, then in the keeping of John Postern at Charterhowse Lane. Pleading 'Guilty,' William Whetley was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 13 Eliz.

2 SEPTEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Kentyshetowne co. Midd. on the said day, Adam Chatterton late of London inholder diverted a certain water-course, that used to run from a certain spring at Hampsted through Kentyshetowne towards London. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 13 Eliz.

6 SEPTEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, John Thrushe late of London woolpacker made two chanells called "a duble channell" in the King's Strete in Westminster, to the detriment and ruin of the same street; and That on the 11th of the next preceding August he stopt a certain water-course pertaining to John Gibbes, that ought to flow through the land of the same John Gibbes. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 13 Eliz.

8 SEPTEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shordiche co.

Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Ingram Jakson of Shordich aforesaid yoman entertained at his house vagabonds, suspected persons, masterless persons, and persons given to lust and luxury, to the evil and destructive example of their neighbours. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 13 Eliz.

16 SEPTEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Henry Basse of the said parish butcher and his wife Elizabeth were, and that they still are, common disturbers of the peace, and promoters of discords likely to result in homicide. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 13 Eliz.

20 SEPTEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clementes Danes co. Midd. on the said day, Timothy Doddersbye of Holbourne taylor, assaulted and beat Henry Reynoldes, one of the constables of the said parish of St. Clementes Danes, so that his life was despaired of. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 13 Eliz.

26 SEPTEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Eastesmythefelde co. Midd., on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, William Blunt gentleman maintained in his house divers unlawful games, *viz.*, "dice cardes and bowles," and received there divers persons of bad fame and conversation. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 13 Eliz.

26 SEPTEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stratford-at-Bowe co. Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Richard Garnett of the said place vintener, kept ill order and rule in his dwelling-house, against the commands and admonition oft-times given him by the constables there. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 13 Eliz.

29 OCTOBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's Danes without the Bars of the New Temple co. Midd., William Whenton and Lawrence Bell, both late of London yomen, stole a silver goblett worth fifty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Christofer Woodward vintner. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Whenton was sentenced to be hung. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Lawrence Bell pleaded his clergy. G. D. R., . . . , 14 Eliz.

5 NOVEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the highway at Islington co. Midd. on the said day, John Gryffyth *alias* Gryffin, late of London yoman, assaulted Dunstan Coxo and robbed him of fifteen pence in numbered moneys. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Gryffyth was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 14 Eliz.

7 NOVEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stratford-at-bowe co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Hodgskyne late of Ikham co. Kent gentleman, William Dutton late of Blackwall sailer, Elizabeth Dutton late of Blackwall wife of the aforesaid William, and John Heneage

late of London laborer stole fifty-two shillings and sixpence in money, of the chattels and moneys of Robert Bridges, and a collar of bells for a little dog (et vnum le coller de campanis pro parva cane) worth sixpence. Robert Hogeskyn and William Dutton were "extra prison'." Elizabeth Dutton put herself 'Not Guilty' and held to her plea, and in like manner John Henage "po se non cul nec rec." G. D. R., . . . , 14 Eliz.

8 NOVEMBER, 13 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Brayneford co. Midd. on the said day, Isabell Cornewall late of London spynster broke into the house of Joan Parker widow, and stole therefrom a silver ring worth ten pence, a purse worth four pence, and three shillings and eight pence in counted money. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Isabell pleaded that she was pregnant. G. D. R., . . . , 14 Eliz.

1 DECEMBER, 14 ELIZABETH. — True Bill that, at Hackney co. Midd. on the highway, on the aforesaid day of December, Thomas Payne *alias* Savage, Richard Pryce, and John Haywood, all late of London yomen, assaulted Arthur Warde and stole from his person, a woollen-cloth cloak of sheepes collar worth ten shillings, a linen handkerchief worth six pence, "unum aliud pallium de le mockadowe vocatum a woman's cloake *furred* (?) with blacke conye ad valenciam xiijs." of the goods and chattels of John Fuller, and a sword worth six shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Yeardeley. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' all three prisoners were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 14 Eliz.

10 DECEMBER, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at . . . . co. Midd. on the said day of December, John Jarrett, *alias* John Slaney late of Highe Holbourne yoman, stole a black woollen cloth cloak worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Tuppris. Putting himself 'Guilty,' the prisoner pleaded his clergy; whereupon William Pyckering urged that the prayer should not be granted, as, by the name of John Jarard late of London yoman, for a certain felony by him in former times committed at Harnesey co. Midd., the said John Jarrett *alias* Slaney was convicted a clerk, and after being burnt on the left hand was as a convicted clerk delivered to the custody of the Bishop of London, the Ordinary of that place; to which the aforesaid John Jarrett pleaded that he was not the same person as the clerk so convicted under the name of John Jarard. At the ensuing Gaol Delivery, held on 15 February next following, a jury, chosen and sworn to discover the truth of the matter, having found the prisoner was the same person as the clerk in former time convicted under the name of John Jarard, it was decreed by the Court that he should be hung. G. D. R., . . . . Jan., 14 Eliz.

30 DECEMBER, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Mathew Bowcher *alias* Bowsser late of the said city gentleman broke into and entered the dwelling-house of Richard Topclyff, and stole therefrom a pair of “knytt netherstockes of worsted” worth fifteen shillings, and a linen garment worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Richard Candishe. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ Mathew Bowcher asked for the book.—Also, on the same file, another True Bill against the same Mathewe Bowcher gentleman, for stealing on the same day from Richard Topclyff’s dwelling-house a woollen-cloth cloak of marbell colour worth . . . , and “a dublett of millen carsy lyned with sarsenett” worth twenty-six shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Curteis.—Also, on the same file, a third True Bill against the same Mathewe Bowcher gentleman, for stealing on the same day from the same house “a blacke wrote velvett gowne furred with blacke conye” worth fifteen pounds, “a blacke velvett coate layde withe golde and silke lace lyned with tafita” worth . . . ; an “imbrodered garde of silke” worth ten pounds, a “blacke . . . dublett” worth three pounds six shillings and eight pence, “duo par braccarum velvetti vocat’ twoo pare of blacke . . . satten and silke stockes” worth twenty pounds, a linen covering of a bed worth three pounds, with divers other articles including “garters” worth three pounds, of the goods and chattels of the said Richard Topclyff. Putting himself ‘Guilty’ to all three indictments; Mathew Bowcher asked for the book. G. D. R., . . . Jan., 14 Eliz.

1 JANUARY, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Johns Strete co. Midd. on the said day, Sir George Penruddock knt. of the said street encroached on the highway thereof to the quantity of two feet, by a house built there by him. G. D. R., 30 June, 14 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 14 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hornesey co. Midd. on view of the body of Hugh Moreland late of Hornesey yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 29 March last past, between three and four p.m., the said Hugh Moreland and a certain Henry Yonge of the same place yoman were together in the yard of the house of Thomas Aglyonby of Hornesey aforesaid gentleman, when they quarrelled and fought, the said Hugh Moreland having in his hands a shovel and the said Henry Yonge being armed with “a shackfork”; when in the affray had between them Henry Yonge with the said ‘shackfork’ gave Hugh Moreland in his left eye a blow, of which he died on the present first day of April. G. D. R., 22 May, 14 Eliz.

7 APRIL, 14 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Fynnesbury on view of the body of John Stocker late of

London shomaker, there lying dead: With verdict that, on the same day between two and three p.m., the said John Stocker was in the street called Bysshoppes Gate Strete within the city of London, together with a certain John Tyson late of London yoman and John Keys also late of London yoman, when the same John Stocker and John Tyson exchanged insulting words, after which speech John Tyson, having business to do at a certain house called the Red Lyone at Islington with a certain William Peirson of Buckby co. Hertford yoman and a certain John Knighte of the same parish and county, went off to Islington; and That, seeing whither he was going, John Stocker with malice lay in wait, to intercept and assault the same Tyson on his return; and That afterwards being together in Fynnesbury Feild the two men fought together, John Stocker having a sword in his right hand and a dagger in his left hand, whilst John Tyson had a sword in his right hand, and in his left hand a cloak; and That in the affray, thus fought between them in Fynnesbury Feild, John Tyson with his sword gave John Stocker under the left side of his breast a mortal wound, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 22 May, 14 Eliz.

10 APRIL, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Friarnebarnett on the aforesaid day, Evan Davie late of London tayler stole two black woollen-cloth cloaks worth thirty shillings, two linen shirts worth five shillings, "*duo superinterula panni linei vocat' shirtebandes ad valenciam iijs. iiiid.*," a hat worth twelve pence, "*unum par calligarum panni lanei vocat' a pare of nether stockes ad valenciam xviid.*," *vnum aliud par caligarum vocat' a pare of Jarsey nether stockes ad valenciam iis. vid.*" and a pair of gloves worth two pence, of the goods and chattels of John Byrkehead. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Evan Davie asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 22 May, 14 Eliz.

— APRIL, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, on the presentment of Thomas Wetherley and William Kyrton, Searchers of tiles (*Scrutatores tegularum vocatarum tiles*) co. Midd., appointed in accordance with the form of the statute of 17 Ed. IV. in this matter provided, that, . . . Wynchester, John Wynchester, Thomas . . . , Richard Readinge, John Readinge, William . . . , Henry Barynger, all of Ruyslippe tylemakers, who dug and threw out earth for making tiles at Ruyslippe aforesaid before 1 November 13 Eliz., scilicet xviiij October of the said year, did not move or turn the same earth as they should have done before the first day of February next following. G. S. P. R., Easter, 14 Eliz.

— APRIL, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in consideration of service to be rendered to Sir Thomas Gresham knt., Richard George of Heston co. Midd. baker received on 20 February 14 Eliz. of the said Sir



Thomas a lyvery cote, which the said Richard George used through the space of two months next following at Heston and elsewhere in the said county, "whereas the same Richard George is not nor ever has been the familiar servant or officer of the said Sir Thomas Gresham knt., nor a scholar learned and instructed in either of the laws (nec in lege vna seu altra eruditus aut instructus).—With similar true Bills, on the same parchment, against (1) Robert Gridyorn *alias* Gridyron of Westminster yoman, for taking and wearing the livery of Sir Robert Constable knt.; (2) William Burton of Hackeney yoman for taking and wearing the livery of Robert, earl of Leicester; (3) John Nichollson of Hackeney yoman, for taking and wearing the livery of the same Earl; (4) Henry Warley of Hackeney yoman, for taking and wearing the livery of Sir Ralph Sadler; (5) George Lynnett of Hackeney yoman for taking and wearing the livery of John Dudlaye gentleman; (6) Geoffrey Rochebell of Hampton co. Midd. yoman, for taking and wearing the livery of Sir Owen Hopton knt.; (7) Thomas Adams of Twyckenham yoman, for taking and wearing the livery of Sir Thomas Gresham knt.; (8) John Bridges of Brayneforde co. Midd. yoman, who without being the domestic servant of Sir Francis Knolles knt. or a literate learned in either law, was retained in Sir Francis's service by an argreement made between them on 20 February 14 Elizabeth, since which time the said Thomas Adams at Brayneford and elsewhere has worn the said Sir Francis Knolles's livery. G. S. P. R., Easter, 14 Eliz.

4 MAY, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackney on the said day, Richard Neyler, late of London fishmonger, stole certain hairs worth three pence from the tail of Henry Warley's mare, and certain hairs worth three pence from the tail of John Finkes gelding. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Richard Neyler was sentenced to stand in the pillory at Cheapside (ponatur super collistrigium in Cheape Side London). G. D. R., 22 May, 14 Eliz.

21 MAY, 14 ELIZABETH. — True Bill that, on the highway at Islington on the aforesaid day, John Skargill laborer assaulted, beat and bound William Brian, and robbed him of a sworde "de ferro et calibe," called a Rapier and worth eight shillings, and of five shillings in numbered money. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Skargill was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 22 May, 14 Eliz.

23 MAY, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, Robert Corbett late of London laborer stole . . . pairs of leather shoes worth ten shillings, "duo paria calceorum de correo Anglice vocata ii paire of pantacles of lether ad valenciam iis. iiij*℥*," and two paires of lether bootes worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Tandi. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Robert Corbett asked

for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 30 June, 14 Eliz.

31 May, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, that William Shawe of Edmon-ton co. Midd. yoman, who on the said day had at Edmonton “vnam carucam vocatam a ploughe or draught,” will not work with any cart and other necessities for the reparation of the highway there. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 14 Eliz.

26 JUNE, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields on the said day, James Kynge of London yoman stole “vnum diploidem panni linei vocatum A Canvas Dublett ad valenciam xxs., vnum par braccarum panni lanei coloris Horsefleshe coler ad valenciam xxvis. viij*d*,” of the goods and chattels of Robert Jones. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ James Kynge was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 30 June, 14 Eliz.

2 AUGUST, 14 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Chancery Lane on view of the body of Lucy Jones, late of Chancery Lane spinster, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the night of the first inst. between ten and eleven p.m., the said Lucy Jones was at Chancery Lane in God’s and the Queen’s peace in the house of her master, a certain Thomas Hearne cook, when at the instigation of the devil he made an assault on the said Lucy, and with a sword of iron and steel worth eight shillings and four pence murdered her, by striking her on the lower parts of her legs and on her thighs, giving her six several wounds in them, and in her left thigh one deep wound, of which she died instantly. At his subsequent arraignment Thomas Hearne put himself ‘Not Guilty’ of the murder, and was found guilty of manslaughter, when he asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 3 Oct., 14 Eliz.

7 AUGUST, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Milende co. Midd. on the said day, and at divers times before and afterwards, Richard Bailey of the said place baker bought “faggotes by the greate” to sell to the Queen’s lieges at one penny for each faggot, and before so selling them withdrew the “greate woode” from the said faggots to the deception and injury of buyers.—With another True Bill that, on 10 July last past and at divers times before and afterwards, the same Richard Bailey made “cakes” of unwholesome grain and sold them at Milende. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 14 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, and at divers times before and afterwards, John Clayton of Knightesbridge co. Midd. yoman, maintained an unlawful game called Shovegrote in his dwelling-house there. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 14 Eliz.

17 SEPTEMBER, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement’s

Danes without the Bars of the New Temple on the said day, William Carley late of London yoman stole a paire of linen sheetes worth twenty shillings, and thirty-six shillings in numbered moneys, of the goods chattels and moneys of Anne Gilbert widow. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Carley was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 3 Oct., 14 Eliz.

28 SEPTEMBER, 14 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, whereas Alice Arthur late of Hendon spinster was on the 11th of the aforesaid month indicted before John Southcott (one of the Queen's Justices for pleas to be held before her) and other Justices, and before them convicted of vagrancy, and was at that time retained in the service of John Naylor of Wenloxebarne co. Midd., she departed from the service of the said John Naylor against his will on the said 28th of September. Wherefore it was adjudged that Alice Arthur be whipt severely, and burnt on the right ear. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 14 Eliz.

25 NOVEMBER, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, John Phillpott of Christchurch co. Southampton yoman wrote and counterfeited a certain writing in the name of his master Ambrose Kellaway esq., and counterfeited the sign-manual of the said Ambrose, without the said Ambrose's knowledge or authority, which writing he (the said John Phillpott) directed to Richard Howson of London citizen and mercer, that the same Richard would send to the same Ambrose, by the hands of the same John, two yards of velvett of the price of forty shillings; which two yards of velvett the said John received of the said Richard without payment of the forty shillings by colour of the said writing, and fraudulently converted to his own use. G. S. P. R., Easter, 15 Eliz.

3 DECEMBER, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. John's Strete co. Midd. on the said day, William Spaldinge late of London yoman stole "vnum annulum vocat' a ringe of wyre" worth thirty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Richard Weste. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Spalding was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 18 May, 15 Eliz.

5 DECEMBER, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Saynt John's Strete on the said day of December, Richard Sutton late of London yoman stole a felt hatt worth fifteen shillings, and a pair "*de le galligascoyns panni lanei coloris nigri ad valenciam xxiijs.*," of the goods and chattels of Manus Linthey. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Richard Sutton pleaded his clergy, when William Pickering in the Queen's behalf urged that the plea should not be admitted, as under the name of Richard Dutton, for a felony by him in former time committed at Tottenham, the prisoner had on the same plea been burnt on the left hand, and

delivered to the Bishop of London, of that place the Ordinary. At the next Gaol Delivery a jury, chosen and sworn to discover the truth of the matter, having found that Richard Dutton and Richard Sutton were one and the same person, the said Richard was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 18 May, 15 Eliz.

11 JANUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harnesey co. Midd. on the said day, Jane Jones late of London spinster stole “vnam ricam panni linei vocat’ a kercheif” worth five pence, and “vnam amiculum panni linei vocat’ a neckercher” worth four pence, of the goods and chattels of William Danyell. At the head of the bill, this memorandum, “Cognovit indicamentum; consideratum est quod confitebitur offensam suam in Ecclesia de Harnesey proxima die dominica in presencia parochianorum ibidem.” She confessed the indictment: it was adjudged that she should confess her offence in Hornsey church on the next Lord’s Day, in the presence of the parishioners. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 15 Eliz.

22 JANUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Giles-without-Creplegate co. Midd., on view of the body of John Lowbery late of the said parish shoemaker there lying dead: With Verdict that, at nine p.m. of the 19th inst., the said John Lowbery and a certain Hugh Yenans late of London shoemaker were together in the kitchen of the house of their master, Peter Peterson, at St. Martin’s-le-Grand in London, when they quarrelled and abused one another with speech; that on the 21st instant, mindful of this dispute, John Lowbery and Hugh Yenans went forth from the same house together to a certain field called Mownt Myllefield in the said parish of St. Giles, with the intention of fighting, John Lowbery having a sword in his right and a buckler in his left hand, and John Yenans having in both his hands a pycked staffe; that thus armed they fought together in the said field on the said day between the hours of seven and eight a.m.; that after they had fought there for some time, Hugh Yenans withdrew himself from the said John Lowbery to a certain place called Austen’s Cloase near the same field, and returned his sword to its scabbard; that afterwards on the same day, more contumelious words having been exchanged between them, Hugh Yenans returned to John Lowbery at Mownt Myllefeild, when the latter drew his sword and the fight was renewed; that in the ensuing affray Hugh Yenans with his pike gave John Lowbery in his left thigh a wound, of which he died within two hours; and that in so doing Hugh Yenans slew and murdered the said John Lowbery. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 15 Eliz.

23 JANUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Brigitte in Flete strete London in the ward of Farringdon without London, Henry Welshe late of London woodmonger assaulted Thomas

Vaughan late of London woodmonger, and with a piece of wood called a billett, which he (Henry Welshe) held in his right hand, struck him on the right side of the body, giving him a wound of which he died on 1 February next following. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 15 Eliz.

23 JANUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Cockerell and John Bullock, both late of London yomen, stole a white-grey gelding worth three pounds, and a darke grey gelding worth fifty shillings, and a saddle worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Gyrton at Westminster. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' both prisoners were sentenced to be hung. Afterwards, at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate 28 May 16 Elizabeth, John Bullock produced the Queen's special pardon of his felony, granted to him under the Great Seal by Letters patent, dated 22 February 16 Elizabeth. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 15 Eliz.

9 FEBRUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hounslow in the parish of Heaston co. Midd. on the view of the body of Marie Cheese *alias* Pyckle; an infant six days old, there lying dead: With Verdict that Joan Cheese of Hounslow spinster gave birth on the first day of the instant month to the said infant in a public place at Hounslow and in doing so fell by mischance upon the ground, by which fall the infant's head was injured, so that she died through mischance and from no other cause on the seventh day of the same month. G. D. R., 16 March, 15 Eliz.

12 FEBRUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that Henry Morrys of Higheholborne co. Midd., on the aforesaid day at his dwelling-house there, unlawfully cooked a legge of mutton, which after being so prepared by him, was there eaten by divers persons. G. S. P. R., Easter, 15 Eliz.

12 FEBRUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell on the said day, Allexander Asheforde of Grubstrete bowyer assaulted beat and wounded Anne Jenkynson widow, so that her life was despaired of. G. S. P. R., Easter, 15 Eliz.

13 FEBRUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackney co. Midd. on the said day, John Beckett late of London yoman stole "*duo mallua ferri vocat' slegges ad valenciam vs.,*" of the goods and chattels of Richard Harrison, and a piece of iron called a culter, of the goods and chattels of Ipolit Lynnett. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Beckett was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 15 Eliz.

16 FEBRUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—The appeal of Henry Lobery, brother and next heir of John Lobery, in his own person appealing Hugh Yenans late of London shoemaker, in the custody of Richard Pipe and Nicholas Woodroof sheriff of Middlesex, of the death of the aforesaid John Lobery: With the Verdict of jurors, Who (at the next Gaol Delivery of 16

March 15 Elizabeth, when Hugh Yenans has declared himself 'Not Guilty' of the murder of John Lobery under the circumstances set forth in the abstract of the Inquisition-post-mortem, taken 23 January 15 Eliz.), Say upon their oath "that the aforesaid Hugh Yenans is not guilty of the murder nor of the felonious and voluntary slaying of the said John Lobery with malice aforethought, but is guilty of the homicide and wilful slaying of the same John Lobery": the same jurors further finding "qd. idem Hugo nulla habet terras tenementa nec catalla." Whereupon the same Hugh asks for the book, reads like a clerk and is delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 15 Eliz.

25 FEBRUARY, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at a certain place called "le Parke Corner" at St. James near Charingcrosse on the said day about five p.m., Richard Iseham late of London laborer assaulted a certain John Mercer *alias* Ashe, then and there riding in the highway, with the intention of robbing him the said John. G. S. P. R., Easter, 15 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, John Cuttler of Higholbourne co. Midd. crosebomaker, being unmarried and not retained in the service of any one, exercised the art and faculty "factoris balistarum vocat' A Crosebomaker" in his dwelling-house there, against the form of the Statute in this case provided. G. S. P. R., Easter, 15 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Nicholas Bedlowe, Gabriel Playce, Roger Turtill, John Bradshawe, Barnard Livard an alien, and Roger Asshemore, all unmarried men and duly instructed tailors, having neither lands nor tenements to the yearly value of forty shillings, nor chattels to the value of ten pounds, nor farm or tenure in tillage, exercised the art of tailors in their several houses in Higheholborne (not being retained in the service of any-one), against the form of the Statute in this case provided. G. S. P. R., Easter, 15 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at his mansion-house in Higheholbourne on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Walter Arundell skynner, an unmarried man not in the service of any-one, exercised the art and faculty of a skynner, against the form of the Statute in this case provided. G. S. P. R., Easter, 15 Eliz.

10 MARCH, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Woxbridge co. Midd. on the said day, William Welles late of London clerk stole a linen sheet and a linen smocke worth three shillings, and a linen napkin and a linen partelett worth twelve pence. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Welles produced letters of Hugh, bishop of Llandaff, under his episcopal seal, dated at Matharne A.D. 1567 and 10 Eliz., certifying that

William Wells was a clerk in holy orders ; which letters being allowed to the prisoner by the Court, he was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 16 March, 15 Eliz.

12 MARCH, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, Peter Massey, his wife Agnes Massey, Richard Clement, Edward Hutchyn and John Aleigh, strong and fit for labour, but having neither masters nor lawful vocations whereby to get their means of living, were vagrants, and have wandered about other parts of the same county. Whereupon it was ordered that each of the said vagrants should be whipt severely and burnt on the right ear, according to the statute in that case provided. Afterwards Laurence Nasshe of Fynnesberrie yoman came forward and took Edward Hutchyn into his service, binding himself in the sum of five pounds to retain the said Edward for an entire year. In like manner Francis Crompton took Richard Clement into his service for an entire year, binding himself in the same sum to keep him for a year, and at the end of the term to bring him to the General Session of the Peace, or come there with proof of his death. G. D. R., 16 March, 15 Eliz.

15 MARCH, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Ratclyf co. Midd. on the said day, John Cooke, John Tanny and Mathew Furlonge, being over fourteen years of age strong of body, but having neither lands, nor masters, nor lawful means of livelihood were vagrants, and had been vagrants in other parts of the same county. On which it was adjudged that each of the three vagrants should be flogged severely and burnt on the right ear. Afterwards, James Forman of Whitechapel gentleman took John Tanny into his service, and John Russell of the parish of St. Giles without Crepulgate silkewever took Mathew Furlonge into his service for a year ; each of the two masters being bound in the sum of five pounds to keep his servant for an entire year, and at the expiration of the term to produce him, or sufficient proof of his death, at General Session of the Peace. G. D. R., 16 March, 15 Eliz.

17 MARCH, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Highholborne co. Midd. and elsewhere in the same county on the said day, Nicholas Welshe, Anthony Musgrove, Hugh Morice, John Thomas, Philip Thomas, Alice Morice and Katherine Hevans, being over fourteen years of age, and strong and fit for labour, were masterless vagrants without any lawful means of subsistence. Whereupon it was decreed that each of the said vagrants should be whipt severely and burnt on the right ear. G. S. P. R., Easter, 15 Eliz.

25 MARCH, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Eltham co. Kent in the highway leading from Woolwyche to St. Mary Cray, George Browne late of London gentleman assaulted George Saunders late citizen and

merchant-taylor of London, and murdered him : And That, knowing him to have committed the said murder, Roger Symes late of the parish of St. Gabriel in Fanchurche Streate yoman, on the 26th of March, 15 Eliz., and at divers subsequent times received, comforted and aided the same George Browne. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Roger Symes was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 8 May, 15 Eliz.

27 MARCH, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Giles's-in-the-Fields on the said day, Henry Amptill and Roger Mascall, both of the said parish brewers, set at large certain suspected persons, whom William Westone, a hedborowe of the said parish, had taken in a certain tenement of the said Henry Amptill, and had by virtue of his office imprisoned. G. S. P. R., Easter, 15 Eliz.

9 APRIL, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Edmonton co. Midd. on the said day, Joan Twychell late of the said parish spinster stole "a petecote vpper bodied with red mockadowe" worth five shillings, eight pieces of linen cloth called kerchiefes worth five shillings and three pence, three linen crosclotthes worth sixpence, a worsted apron worth sixteen pence, a linen pillowbere worth eight pence, and a linen smocke worth sixpence, of the goods and chattels of Magdalene Hardinge widow. "Et p'dca Johanna Twychell po se cul ca null p'itat qd. est pregnans Et comp't' est p' sacr'm matronarum qd. est pregn' : I'o rep'." G. D. R., 8 May, 15 Eliz.

23 APRIL, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day, William Burfield late of London yoman stole a black woollen-cloth cloak worth ten shillings, and an English book called a Bible worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Barnard Marcus *alias* Gilham. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Burfield was sentenced to be hung ; but afterwards, *viz.* at the Gaol Delivery of 2 Sept. 15 Eliz. he asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered to the Ordinary. At the head of the bill, "Po se cul ca null sus'"; and at the foot, "Et postea scilt' ad deliberacionem gaole predictæ hic fact 11<sup>do</sup>. die Septemb' anno xv<sup>o</sup>. p'dco coram Thoma Offeley, Alex'o Avenon militibus et Will'o Fletewood Recordatore London p'dcus Will'm's Burfield petiit librum legit vt cl'icus et tradit' Ordinario." G. D. R., 8 May, 15 Eliz.

25 APRIL, 15 ELIZABETH.—Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of the Blessed Mary-de-le-Strond co. Midd., on view of the body of Thomas Adderton late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that on the 24th inst. John Jeynes late of London was in St. Paul's Church between three and four p.m., when Thomas Adderton came to him, and exchanged insulting words with him ; and that afterwards Thomas Adderton went out of the church and waited in the churchyard till he saw John Jeynes come out of the church,



when he drew out his sword with his right hand and his dagger with his left hand, and assaulted the said John Jeynes, who trying to get out of his assailant's way withdrew for the space of twenty yards even to a dunghill, beyond which he could not go by reason of the crowd of men there: when he drew his sword in self-defence, and with it gave the said Thomas Adderton a wound, of which he died within the space of an hour in the said parish of St. Mary of the Strond. G. D. R., 17 June, 15 Eliz.

18 MAY, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Wilsdon co. Midd., Simon Platte of Wilsdon co. Midd. laborer stole "*tres pecias auri cuniati vocat' angelles ad valenciam xxxs., unam aliam peciam auri cuniati vocat' a sufferen ad valenciam xs.,*" and twelve pence in numbered money, of the chattels and moneys of John Walbancke. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Simon Platte was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 17 June, 15 Eliz.

23 MAY, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Jones Streate co. Midd. on the night of the said day, Richard Stubbes and John Barlooe, both late of London laborers, broke burglariously into the house of William Dawes, then being at rest, and stole therefrom a "*horse-fleshe collored*" woollen cloak worth twenty shillings, "*vnam diplloidem de blewe-striped sackclothe anglice vocatam A Dowblette of blewe-striped sackclothe ad valenciam iis. viii $\frac{1}{2}$ l.,*" and four pounds in numbered money, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Edward Elt then living there. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Richard Stubbes was sentenced to be hung: but John Barlooe "*po se non cul nec rec.*" G. D. R., 17 June, 15 Eliz.

31 MAY, 15 ELIZABETH.—Inquisition-post-mortem, taken on the said day at Whitechappell co. Midd. on view of a male infant, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 27th inst. between ten and eleven a.m., Jane Stanly, late of London spinster, gave birth to the said male child in a certain field called Cookes Cloase at Whitechappell, and forthwith at the instigation of the devil assaulted the said male child, which was born alive, and murdered it by crushing the child's head with both her hands, so that it died then and there instantly. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that on her arraignment. Jane Stanly put herself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 17 June, 15 Eliz.

7 JUNE, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stepney on the said day, Jane Page of London spinster stole "*vnum annulum auri vocatum a hande in hande ad valenciam vis. viii $\frac{1}{2}$ l. et tres pecias annuli aurei v'catas three pieces of a rynge called a deathes heade ad valenciam vis. viii $\frac{1}{2}$ l.,*" of the goods and chattels of a certain unknown man. G. D. R., 17 June, 15 Eliz.

15 JUNE, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that Amy Gooderiche, Henry Church, Henry Lyde and Roger Kynward, being over fourteen years old, strong of body and fit for work, and having no masters or lawful means of livelihood, were vagrants at Fynnesberrie co. Midd. on the said day, and have been vagrants at divers other places of the same county—"Super quo consideratum est quod quilibet predictorum Amie Gooderiche, Henrici Church, Henrici Lyde et Rogeri Kynward graviter flagelletur et cremetur in dextra auricula." G. D. R., 17 June, 15 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harmondsworthe co. Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Nicholas Gibbes husbandman had exercised the office "emptoris et venditoris grani vocat' badgers, loders, laders, kydders, or carriers of corne and graine," against the form of the statute. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 15 Eliz.

2 SEPTEMBER, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Enfield co. Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, John Hunesdon of the said parish exercised the office of a buyer and seller of grain, called a badger, loder, kydder or carrier of corne or grain, against the form of the statute in that matter provided. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 15 Eliz.

8 OCTOBER, 15 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Acton co. Midd. on the said day of October, William Smyth late of Acton aforesaid laborer bought of Ralph Cokerell, rector of Acton, eight loads of wheat "in garbis" worth sixteen pounds, seven wainloads "de silighis in garbis" worth fourteen pounds, and ten wainloads of oats (avenarum in garbis) worth ten pounds, with the intention of selling the grain therefore for forty pounds, and then and there ingrossed the same grain, against the form of the statute in that case provided, G. D. R., 15 Feb. 16 Eliz.

11 DECEMBER, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day of December, Joan Ellyse spinster *alias* wife of William Ellyse late of the said city brewer, practised witchcraft against and on four horses worth eight pounds, of the goods and chattels of Edward Williamson of the same city yoman, so that she destroyed and killed them; against the Queen's peace and the form of the statute, in that case provided.—Also, on the same file, three other True Bills against the same Joan Ellyse for practising witchcraft &c.—*viz.* (1) for bewitching William Crowche laborer of Westminster on 16 Feb. 14 Eliz. so that he was wasted in his body and lay languishing and "mutilated" for four months from the said date; (2) for bewitching, at Westminster on 21 July, 14 Eliz., a certain cow worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Edward Williamson, so that it died; and

(3) for bewitching the same Edward Williamson of Westminster, on the 13 Oct. 14 Eliz. at Westminster, so that he lay languishing and mutilated, and was wasted and consumed in his body for three months. Joan Ellyse put herself 'Guilty' to all these indictments; but judgment was not delivered on her in respect to them, because she was already sentenced to be hung, in consideration of a previous indictment for witchcraft. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

7 JANUARY, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Lincoln's Inne co. Midd. on the said day, George Gerlington late of London yoman, stole a white gelding, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Harvey. Putting himself 'Guilty,' George Gerlington was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 16 Eliz.

17 JANUARY, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hillingdon co. Midd. on the night of the said day, William Wyddyns late of London smythe broke burglariously into the house of William Robyns, and stole therefrom two iron chest-locks worth twenty pence, two dozen iron horse-shoes worth three shillings, five hundred iron nails called "hobbe nails" worth fifteen pence, and an iron wedge worth eight pence. William Wyddyns put himself 'Guilty,' and died in prison. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

1 FEBRUARY, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Enfeild co. Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, William Brooke and William Newman senior of the said place husbandmen "*occupaverunt officium et facultatem emptorum et venditorum grani vocatorum badgers, loders, kydders and carriers of corne and grayne sine licencia contra formam statuti inde editi et provisi.*" G. S. P. R., Easter, 16 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 16 Elizabeth.—True Bill that, at Enfield co. Midd. on the said day of March and at divers times before and afterwards, Robert Browne, Francis Conde, John Sherwoode and Robert Hare, all of the said place husbandmen, "*exercebant officium et accionem emptorum et venditorum grani vocatorum badgers, loders, kydders and carriers of corne or graine,*" in contempt of the Queen and against the form of the statute in that case provided. G. S. P. R., Easter, 16 Eliz.

5 MARCH, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Giles-without-Criplegate, co. Midd. on the said day, William Tyler late of London laborer, a lazy and cunning fellow, cosened Thomas Weare of the said parish out of two several sums of money, by representing that he was in possession of certain acres of wood growing near Tottenham, which he had bought of Lord Compton, who out of his good will to the deponent had himself measured and marked out the wood for him: that further, to get Thomas Weare's confidence, the

same William Tyler represented himself, as staying and living in the house of Sir Hugh Cholmondeley knt. at Harnesy *alias* Harryngay co. Midd.; that by these false representations the said William Tyler induced Thomas Weare to give him an order for a hundred cartloads of the said wood, to give him four pence "nomine finis *viz.* in Earnest" on the bargain for the wood, and yet further to give him twenty shillings in partial prepayment of the price agreed upon for the hundred loads of wood; whereas it appeared on enquiry that William Tyler had no wood to sell, and was not living at Harnesey, but was a cheat. Having put himself 'Guilty,' William Tyler was sentenced to the pillory at Fynnesbury (Po se cull et adjudicatur pillorie apud Fynnesbury in com. Midd.) G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

16 MARCH, 16 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Knightsbridge co. Midd. on the view of the body of Richard Coleman of the said place yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the same Richard Coleman was slain with a sword by Richard Cooke yoman in an affray, arising out of contention respecting the right of the same Richard Coleman and one Thomas Fearne yoman, to cut down a certain elm at Knightsbridge at the command of their master, William Mustyan of the said place gentleman; and that Richard Stutte *alias* Pratt yoman aided and abetted the same Richard Cooke to perpetrate the said manslaughter. Richard Stutte put himself 'Not Guilty' and Richard Cooke was at large, at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

17 MARCH, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster, on the said day, John Tegg, Thomas Cockerell and Edward Cole, late of London yomen, stole an ell and half of black silk called vellure worth nine shillings, six ells of canvas worth fourteen shillings, with divers other articles of drapery (including four-and-a-half yards of white mockado worth seven shillings and six pence) of the goods and chattels of Edmund Milles. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' the three prisoners asked for benefit of clergy, but this was denied to them by the Justices, in consideration of the sufficient evidence that on the 13th day of the same March they had broken burglariously into the mansion-house of the aforesaid Edmund Milles at Senock co. Kent, when he and his family were in the same house, and had taken therefrom certain goods and chattels; in which case benefit of clergy was removed by the statute recently publisht and provided. Wherefore it was decreed that John Tegg and Thomas Cockerell should be hung by the neck &c. But it seemed well to the Court to reprieve Edmund Cole before judgment for further consideration. (Ideo consideratum est quod vterque predictorum Johannis et Thome suspendatur per collum &c. Et prefatus Edwardus repri ante judicium quia Curia vult inde

ausari &c.) And afterwards at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate made on 18 February, 17 Eliz., the aforesaid Edward Cole produced Queen's pardon under the Great Seal, granted to him by letters patent, dated 15 December of the same 17th year of Her Highness's reign. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

18 MARCH, 16 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Thomas Smyth late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the same Thomas Smyth died within the gaol on the same 18th inst., by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

29 MARCH, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harrowehill co. Midd. on the said day, John Allen, Elizabeth Turner, Humfrey Foxe, Henry Bower and Agnes Wort, being over fourteen years old and having no lawful means of livelihood were vagrants and had been vagrants in other parts of the country. Sentenced to be flogged severely and burnt on the right ear. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

8 APRIL, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stratford-at-boo on the said day, William John late of London yoman stole a cheste worth two shillings, two silver spoons worth thirteen shillings and four-pence, four gold rings and sixteen precious stones called perles worth six pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, a piece of black silk called taffita worth thirteen shillings and fourpence, and eight pounds in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of Robert Bridges. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William John asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

9 APRIL, 16 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of John Evans late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the same John Evans died in the gaol on the 9th inst. by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

15 APRIL, 16 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Giles's-in-the-Fields co. Midd., on view of the body of John Holdernes late of the said parish yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said John Holdernes, being sick and weak of a certain disease called consumption, died on the same 15th inst. at the said parish, by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

26 APRIL, 16 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of William Weedon late of London smith, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said William Weedon died in the gaol on the same 26th inst. by Divine Visitation. G. D. R., 26 April, 16 Eliz.

23 May, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, William

Paddy of Hadley co. Midd. gentleman, Thomas Rede of Southmymes co. Midd. husbandman, and Nicholas Crabb of Northmymes co. Midd. yoman, broke into the Queen's chase called Enfield Chase, hunted the deer and wild animals there, and killed "unam damam." G. D., . . . Eliz.

4 JUNE, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Woxbridge co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Shooness late of Harmondsworth co. Midd. yoman stole a browne gelding worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Doo.—Also, on the same file, two other True Bills against the same Thomas Shooness, for horse-stealing at Harmondsworth on 12 August 16 Eliz., and at Cowley in the same county on 8 Sept. 16 Elizabeth. Putting himself 'Guilty' to all three indictments, Thomas Shooness was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 16 Eliz.

1 JULY, 16 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of Robert Hodgson of Wynchester co. Southampton innholder, in the sum of two hundred marks, and of George Reingoldes of the parish of St. Brigitt in Farrington-ward without-London cutler and John Parkehewse of the parish of St. Andrew in Holborn gyrdler, in the sum of one hundred marks each; for the said Robert's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for co. Midd., "because" says a memorandum at the foot of the bond "he is hadd in suspeccon for robbing Thearle of Kent his howse in Barbican."—Also on the same parchment, the recognizance, in the sum of two hundred marks, whereby on the same day Giles Blofeylde of Barnardes Inne gentleman bound himself to prosecute the cause aforesaid against the said Robert Hodgson at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 16 Eliz.

27 JULY, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at the Queen's chase called Enfield Chase co. Midd., Henry Lawrence of Hadley co. Midd. yoman broke into the said chase, hunted the wild animals there, and killed "unam damam vocat' a prickett." G. D., . . . Eliz.

29 JULY, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Highgate co. Midd. on the said day, Francis Jackson and Robert Gillingham, both late of London yomen, stole a calf worth six shillings, of the goods and chattels of Rose Howson. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' both thieves were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 16 Eliz.

4 AUGUST, 16 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Southcot, one of the Justices for Pleas before the Queen, of Lancelot Bostock one of the Queen's gentlemen-pensioners and Morgan Farde, of Westminster butcher, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Thomas Clarke of the parish of St. Margaret in Westminster grocer

in the sum of forty pounds ; For the said Thomas Clarke's appearance at the next General Sessions of the Peace. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 16 Eliz.

24 SEPTEMBER, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington on the night of the said day, John Brooke late of London laborer broke burglariously into the house of Richard Smythe, and stole therefrom “unum par’ tibialium de panno laneo coloris nigri, Anglice vocat’ A Payre of black netherstockes” worth twelve pence, a pair of shoes worth eight pence, and three shillings in numbered money. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ John Brooke was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 16 Eliz.

26 SEPTEMBER, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at le Stronde co. Midd. and in other parts of the same county, William Hewett, Thomas Maynerd and Peter Stevens, being over fourteen years of age and strong and fit for labour were masterless vagrants, without any lawful means of subsistence. It was ordered that each of the same vagrants should be whipt severely and branded on the right ear. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 16 Eliz.

3 OCTOBER, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of Stebunheth co. Midd. on the said day, William Fyppes (*sic*) gardener and William Reynolds laborer, both late of London, stole a gray gelding worth three pounds, of the goods and chattels of Andrew Butcher. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ William Phyppes (*sic* in the memorandum at the foot of the bill) was sentenced to be hung ; William Reynolds was at large. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 17 Eliz.

23 OCTOBER, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Heston in a certain place called Honesloweheathe co. Midd. on the said day, John Seyntlyger *alias* Sellenger, John Carrowe and William Hutton, all of London gentlemen, assaulted on the highway, and beat and wounded Thomas Phillpott esq., and robbed him of a gold chain worth one hundred marks. William Hutton put himself ‘Guilty,’ and was sentenced to be hung ; John Seyntlyger and John Carrowe were “extra prisonam,” —not in custody. G. D., . . . Eliz.

5 NOVEMBER, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, James Forman late of Whitechappell co. Midd. yoman, Chief Constable of the Hundred of Ossulston of the said county, devising and intending to violate the concord and love between William Daye of Whitechappell blacksmith and his wife Mary Daye, impudently and impiously pursued the said Mary and had carnal knowledge of her, so that the said William means to repudiate her.—G. D. R., June, 17 Eliz.

15 NOVEMBER, 16 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Estsmythefeilde

co. Midd. on the said day, John Rodes and George Arthur, both late of London yomen, stole a piece of coined gold called "an halfe soueraigne" worth ten shillings, and twenty shillings in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of Alexander Sapcotes. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Rodes was sentenced to be hung and reprieved after judgment. Putting himself 'Guilty,' George Arthur was reprieved before judgment. And afterwards at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate, made 24 Oct., 17 Eliz., John Rodes asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 17 Eliz.

4 DECEMBER, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Higheholbourne on the night of the said day, John Wrighte of Lyons Inne gentleman, Robert Somerstall of London scryvener, William Chamberlayne of Seint Johns Strete co. Midd. yoman, Richard Browne of the same street yoman, Philip Cary and Thomas Flower, both of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields yomen, with ten unknown disturbers of the peace, armed with swords, bucklers, daggers &c. assembled in warlike manner, between the hours of nine and ten, and broke into the house of William Bradley at Highholbourne, breaking and destroying the doors of the said house, and put the said William Bradley and all his family (then being in God's and the Queen's peace) in great bodily fear, and also assaulted, beat and wounded Thomas Tayler clerk, then being and resting in the said house, and maltreated him so that his life was despaired of. G. D., . . . 17 Eliz.

30 DECEMBER, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, about eight a.m. of the said day, Thomas Browne late of Acton co. Midd. miller, and Giles Palmer late of London yoman, on the highway at Acton assaulted Robert Lockwell, then and there riding on horseback in God's and the Queen's peace, and robbed him of a little sword of iron and steel called "a Sceana" worth three shillings and four pence, and also took from him "unum penularium de panno laneo coloris mottley *anglice* vocat' a motley cloke-bag worth *xiid.*," two leather waste girdles worth four pence, and three shillings and three pence in counted money. Putting themselves severally 'Guilty,' with no chattels, Thomas Browne and Giles Palmer were sentenced to be hung. G. D., . . . 17 Eliz.

23 FEBRUARY, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and divers other days between the day aforesaid and the day of the taking of this indictment, John Chaunterell of Clerkenwell co. Midd. boocher, killed, dressed and sold in the season of Lent, twenty wether-sheep, six lambs and six calves, without warrant or licence to do so.—Similar True Bill against John Hughes of Essex boocher, for killing, dressing and selling at Stepney co. Midd., two wether-



sheep, two lambs and four calves, in the season of Lent, without warrant or licence to do so.—Similar True Bill against Richard Tynger, of the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd. for killing, dressing and selling two wether-sheep and one calf, without warrant or licence to do so.—Similar True Bill against Richard Barnes of Seint Katheryne's co. Midd. boocher, for killing, dressing and selling one wether-sheep, one calf, and one lamb in the season of Lent, without warrant or licence to do so.—Similar True Bill against George Steere of Eastesmythefeilde boocher, for killing, dressing and selling in the season of Lent two wether-sheep, without warrant or licence to do so.—Only one of all these bills of indictment against butchers, for breaking the law against selling flesh in Lent affords a note, indicating the degree in which the offenders were punished for the breaches of rule. The True Bill against Richard Tynger, for killing and selling two wethers and one calf, has this note at its foot,—“fin'—xl*l*. solut' Decano Westm' per Ric'm Vale generosum, vnum coronatorium.” G. S. P. R., Easter, 17 Eliz.

23 FEBRUARY, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and divers other days of the season of Lent, Henry Smythe of Seint Johnstrete co. Midd. boocher, killed, dressed and sold to the Queen's lieges twenty wether-sheep, ten lambs and six calves.—Similar True Bill against Alexander Woode of Seint Johnstrete boocher, for killing, dressing and selling, without warrant or licence, twelve wether-sheep and ten lambs, in the season of Lent.—Similar True Bill against John Williams of St. Johnstrete co. Midd. boocher, for killing, dressing and selling, without warrant or licence to do so, thirty wether-sheep, thirty lambs and ten calves, in the season of Lent.—Similar True Bill against Richard Baker of St. Johns Strete boocher, for killing, dressing and selling, without warrant or licence to do so, twenty wether-sheep and one calf, in the season of Lent.—Similar True Bill against Robert Bockett of Seint Johnstrete co. Midd. for killing, dressing and selling, without warrant or licence to do so, forty wether-sheep, twenty lambs and six calves in the season of Lent.—Similar True Bill against Humfrey Allyn of Seint Johnstrete co. Midd. boocher, for killing, dressing and selling, without warrant or licence to do so, sixteen wether-sheep, ten lambs and four calves, in the season of Lent.—Similar True Bill against Thomas Barrowes of Fynnesberrie co. Midd. boocher, for killing, dressing and selling, without any warrant to do so, one wether-sheep. G. S. P. R., Easter, 17 Eliz.

23 FEBRUARY, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and divers other days of the season of Lent, Ralph Shelton of Saint John's Strete co. Midd. boocher, killed, dressed and sold at the said street to the Queen's lieges eighty 'vervices,' a hundred lambs and forty

calves, without warrant or licence to do so. G. S. P. R., Easter, 17 Eliz.

23 FEBRUARY, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and divers other days of the season of Lent, Thomas Hare of Seint Johns Strete co. Midd. killed, dressed and sold, without warrant or licence for doing so, to the Queen's lieges twenty wether-sheep and two calves. G. S. P. R., Easter, 17 Eliz.

19 MARCH, 17 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Stebunheth co. Midd. on view of the body of John Sedwyne late of the said parish yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, between the hours of four and five p.m. of 18 March 17 Elizabeth, at the house of Andrew Sharpe at Ratcliffe in the parish of Stebunheth vyntner, the said John Sedwyne and a certain James Hewes, of the same parish yoman, quarrelled and interchanged contumelious words, when they forthwith went forth to the field called 'Eighteen Acres' at Stebunheth with the intention of fighting, each of them being armed with sword and dagger, and there fought one with another, each with a sword in his right hand and a dagger in his left hand; and that in the affray James Hewes gave John Sedwyne a wound in his right breast feloniously and voluntarily, of which the said John died then and there instantly; and that the said James thus slew and murdered the said John. Putting himself 'Guilty' of the manslaughter, but 'Not Guilty' of the murder of the said John Sedwyne, James Hewes pleaded his clergy and asked for the book. G. D. R., 28 March, 17 Eliz.

25 MARCH, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Hugh Meredith of Wannam Grene in the parish of Fullam co. Midd. for keeping there a big, noxious, biting dog, given to worry and bite the Queen's subjects, which dog had on the day aforesaid at Wannam Grene bitten and injured Katherine Yonge, a girl of eleven years of age. G. S. P. R., Easter, 17 Eliz.

31 MARCH, 17 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jasper Fysshier esq. J.P., of Thomas Strelley of Barnards Inne gentleman and Francis Harward of Lyons Inne gentleman, in the sum of one hundred pounds each; for the said Thomas Strelley's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. S. P. R., Easter, 17 Eliz.

12 APRIL, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Nicholas Morris, Joan Hentley, Thomas Smyth, Rose Oliver and William Tucker, masterless persons above fourteen years of age, fit for labour, and having no lawful means of livelihood, were vagrants, and had been vagrants in other parts of the country. Ordered that they be flogged severely and burnt on the left ear. G. S. P. R., Easter, 17 Eliz.

EASTER, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, between certain said days of the Queen's 14th year, John Rowland of London sadler was the broker, solicitor and factor of a certain bargain between Richard Offley of London merchant-taylor of the one part and Sir John Sentleger of Annarye (? Amarye) co. Devon knt. of the other part, for a loan of the sum of five hundred pounds by the said Richard Offley for the space of a year, by which bargain the said Richard Offley should have in gain the sum of one hundred pounds, which hundred pounds the said Richard Offley received and had over and above the sum of five hundred pounds, that is over the rate of ten p. cent. p. annum, whereby the said John Rowland, as broker, solicitor and factor of the said corrupt bargain, by force of a certain Act of Parliament of 13 Elizabeth, incurred the pain and penalty "consiliar Attorn' vel Advocat in casu premunire."—Also, True Bill against Richard Offley of London merchant-taylor, for taking and receiving between 28 June 15 Eliz. and 18 July next following of the aforesaid Sir John Sentleger of Annary co. Devon, to his gain and profit the said one hundred pounds over and above the said five hundred pounds, that is beyond the rate of ten per cent. per annum, against the form of divers statutes in this case provided. G. S. P. R., Easter, 17 Eliz.

23 MAY, 17 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood esq. Recorder of London J.P., of Robert Pullyn of the parish of St. Giles in the Fields imbroderer, in the sum of twenty pounds, and of William Mason yoman and Morrys Evans barbersurgeon, both of the parish of St. Sepulchre, in the sum of ten pounds each: For the said Robert Pullyn's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, "in his proper person to pleade his pardon or yelde his bodie to thordre of the Courte." G. D. R., 30 June, 17 Eliz.

26 MAY, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Ratclyf on the said day, Richard Blunte, Arthur Gregory and James Cullen, all late of London yomen, stole twelve calivers worth six pounds, six flasks worth two shillings, two flagges worth twenty shillings, and eight sheefes of arrowes worth eight shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Bounde. G. D. R., 29 Aug., 17 Eliz.

28 MAY, 17 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewoode esq. Recorder of London and J.P., of Alice Frenche widow in the sum of ten pounds, and William Mason yoman and William Freeman brewer in the sum of five pounds each; for the said Alice's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, to "pleade her pardon or yelde her bodie to thorder of the Courte." G. D. R., 30 June, 17 Eliz.

1 JUNE, 17 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Johns Strete in the parish of St. Sepulchre co. Midd. on view

of the body of Thomas Cobbocke late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Thomas Cobbocke was killed by a kick given to him "*super pudenda siue secreta membra sua*," in Owanne Alli at St. Johns Strete by one John Whynyate, who had previously incensed Thomas Cobbocke by striking Joan wife of the said Thomas in his presence ; and that thus and in no other way in a sudden broil John Whynyate feloniously killed and slew the said Thomas Cobbocke. At the ensuing Gaol Delivery of Newgate, John Whynyate put himself 'Guilty,' with no chattels, asked for the book, read like a clerk and was handed over to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 30 June, 17 Eliz.

3 JUNE, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Pykthatche in the Liberty of Fynnesburye co. Midd., Humfrey Toye of London stacyoner built certain houses and thereby encroached on the highway, by sixty feet in length and four feet in breadth. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 17 Eliz.

8 JUNE, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harmondesworth co. Midd. on the said day, Elizabeth Duche of the said parish spinster, otherwise styled the wife of William Duche of the said parish tailor, at the instigation of the devil practised by witchcraft, charms and sorceries upon a certain ox worth three pounds, of the goods and chattels of Edward Brandon of Harmondesworth aforesaid, so that the same ox died thereof. Putting herself 'Not Guilty,' Elizabeth Duche was acquitted (*Po se non cul Id'eat inde quiet'*). G. D. R., 30 June, 17 Eliz.

9 JUNE, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, that Thomas Maynerde, Oswald Thompson and John Barres (having at the Justice Hall in the Old Balye, on 18 March 17 Eliz., before Sir James Hawes knt. Mayor of London, and William Fletewood esq. J.P., been flogged severely and burnt "*per le gristle dextre auricule*" with a hot iron of a thumb's circuit, according to the form of the statute of 14 Eliz. entitled 'an Acte for the Punysshement of Vacabondes and for the relief of the Poor and Impotent'), being over eighteen years old, and fit for labour, but masterless and without any lawful means of livelihood, were again on the said day of June wandering as felonious vagrants at St. Gyles's-in-the-Feilde and elsewhere in the said county. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' without chattels, the three incorrigible vagrants were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 29 Aug., 17 Eliz.

9 JUNE, 17 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood esq. Recorder of London, of Thomas Manley of the parish of St. Giles in the Fields gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds; and of John Hollingbrig of the same parish gentleman and Robert Homes, one of the yomen of the Queen's chamber, in the sum of twenty pounds each ; for the said Thomas Manley's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., 30 June, 17 Eliz.

11 JUNE, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards at the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields co. Midd., John Hollyngbryg of the said parish gentleman, a man of evil life and reputation, a pimp, adulterer and fornicator, kept a common brothel, and in the said house kept and maintained Elizabeth Mathewe, Jane Trays, Anne Breme and Jane Perepoynte, being common and notorious harlots. John Hollyngbryg gentleman putting himself 'Guilty,' it was decreed by the Court that he should be carted from Newgate to St. Giles in the next Market day. (*Po se cul Ideo consideratum est quod vehetur in carruca a Newgate vsque Seynt Giles-in-campis proximo die mercati*). G. D. R., 30 June, 17 Eliz.

12 JUNE, 17 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood esq. Recorder of London and J.P. for Midd., of Richard Kent of Islyngton inholder, in the sum of forty pounds, and of Thomas Lilly inholder and Thomas Hudd baker, both of Islyngton, in the sum of twenty pounds: For the said Richard Kent's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., 30 June, 17 Eliz.

26 JUNE, 17 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Thomas Hughes J.P., of Robert Jhones of Barmsey co. Surrey smith, in the sum of ten pounds: For the said Robert Jhones's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for co. Midd., "then and theare to give evidence agenst Elizabeth Ducke for witchcrafte as well for her inditement as at the time of her tryall." G. D. R., 30 June, 17 Eliz.

15 JULY, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Hackney co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Wilson, Thomas Overberrie, Richard Wheeler, Roger Thompson and Robert Marrye, all late of London yomen, assaulted Mathew Davye, servant of William Marshall esq., and robbed him of five yards of blewe woollen cloth worth thirty-five shillings, a satten dublett worth thirty shillings, a Spanish-lether jerkyn, worth thirteen shillings and fourpence, a piece of woollen cloth of marble colour worth thirteen shillings and fourpence, "vnum par' braccarum vocat' a paire of gascoynes" worth twelve shillings, a piece of buckeram worth ten-pence, a piece of Tuke (*sic*) worth twelve pence, of the goods and chattels of the said William Marshall; and a marble-coloured woollen-cloth coat worth eighteen shillings, a sword and dagger worth sixteen shillings, a black woollen cloth cloak worth six shillings and eightpence, a pair of shoes worth sixteen pence, a girdle worth six pence, and three shillings and four pence in numbered money, of the goods and chattels of the said Mathew Davy. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Richard Wilson, Thomas Overberrie, Richard Wheeler and Roger Thompson were sentenced to be hung: Robert Marrye was at large. G. D. R., 29 August, 17 Eliz.

28 JULY, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Seint John's Street co.

Midd. and in divers other parts of the same county on the said day, Edward Godfry, William Bennett, Robert Daymond, Thomas Lypyatt, Elizabeth Braunte, Joan Harrison, Jane Robson and John Dunston were masterless vagrants, without any lawful means of subsistence. It was adjudged that each of the said vagrants should be whipt severely and burnt on the right ear.

10 AUGUST, 17 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that at Shorditch on the said day of August, Peter Smythe late of Shorditch co. Midd. assaulted Margaret Tisdall “et ipsam Margaretum rapuit defloravit et carnaliter cognovit.” Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ without chattels, he asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the Ordinary. G. D. R., 29 Aug., 17 Eliz.

20 AUGUST, 17 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewoode esq. Recorder of London and J.P. for Midd., of Robert Bradbury of London gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds, and of John Holte and John Tempest, both of London gentlemen, in the sum of five pounds each: For the said Robert Bradbury’s appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, and in the meantime for his peaceful bearing to all persons, and especially towards Arthur Heigham and his wife Maria Heigham. G. D. R., 29 August, 17 Eliz.

15 SEPTEMBER, 17 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq J.P., of James Cokeson of the parish of St. Martin in the Fields laborer and Thorstan Harper of the parish of St. Margaret in Westminster in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Henry Allyson of St. Martin’s-in-the-Fields hackneyman in the sum of twenty pounds: For the said Henry Allyson’s appearance at the General Session of the Peace next after the next feast of Easter, and in meantime for his peaceable bearing to all persons, and especially towards John Barwell constable. G. S. P. R., Easter, 18 Eliz.

26 FEBRUARY, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Stronde co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Bacon late of London yoman stole two rapiers worth twelve shillings and sixpence, a sword called “a three-edged swoorde” worth five shillings, another sword worth two shillings and sixpence, “et vnum alium gladium de ferro et calibe vocat’ A Woodknyff blade” worth five shillings, and ‘a knife worth sixpence, of the goods and chattels of William Sellwoode at Stronde. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ Thomas Bacon was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 4 April, 18 Eliz.

7 MARCH, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and divers other days, Adam Chatterton of London inholder threw dung on the highway of the parish of St. Pancrace at Kentishtowne. G. S. P. R., Easter, 18 Eliz.

9 MARCH, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard

Randolph esq. J.P., of Thomas Gregorie of the parish of Box co. Wilts. freemason, in the sum of forty pounds, and of George Prise gentleman and William Hayes yoman, both of the parish of St. Katherine, near the Tower of London, in the sum of twenty pounds each : For the said Thomas Gregorie's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Midd., he being "suspected to be privie to the robrye of Albane Stepneth of Pembrokeshire esquier." G. D. R., 4 April, 18 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Ruyslippe co. Midd., Arthur Reynoldes husbandman, Robert Batte yoman, Edward Bennett yoman, Richard Gadberrie husbandman, John Murdoxe husbandman, all of Ruyslippe aforesaid, Thomas Darcy of Woxbridge yoman, and William Davye taylor, Roger Okeley yoman, Thomas Harker husbandman, Thomas Kerton harnismaker, Gybbens Alkyns husbandman, William Rayner husbandman, and Richard Parsonne husbandman, all seven of Woxbridge aforesaid, with unknown malefactors to the number of a hundred, assembled themselves unlawfully and played a certain unlawful game, called football, by reason of which unlawful game there rose amongst them a great affray, likely to result in homicides and serious accidents. G. S. P. R., Easter, 18 Eliz.

26 MARCH, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and divers other days, John Varneham of Westminster co. Midd. gardener enclosed a piece of the highway, near the place called Pettie Fraunce in Tuttell street in the said city. G. S. P. R., Easter, 18 Eliz.

29 MARCH, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, William Fann late of London yoman stole a black woollen-cloth gown called "an olde scollers gowne," worth eleven pence, of the goods and chattels of John Maister at Westminster. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Fann was sentenced to be whipt in Brydewell (Po se cul ca null' et cons est qd. flagelletur in Brydewell). G. D. R., 4 April, 18 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Pyckthatche in the liberty of Fynnesbury co. Midd., the highway is foul and 'lutosa,' by reason of the rain-water falling from certain houses built by Humfrey Toye of London stacioner, which water cannot flow away, for want of the watercourse, which the said Humfrey ought to make by reason of his tenure of the said houses. G. S. P. R., Easter, 18 Eliz.

3 APRIL, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, Humfrey Toye of London stacioner, built certain houses at Pyckthatche within the liberty of Fynnesbury co. Midd., and thereby encroached on the highway, by thirty yards in length and one foot and half-a-foot in breadth. G. S. P. R., Easter, 18 Eliz.

3 APRIL, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt., lieutenant of the Tower of London and J.P., of John

Hall yoman and William Ward yoman, both of the parish of St. Katherine, in the sum of five pounds each, and of Bartram Bewicke of Newcasell navigator, in the sum of ten pounds ; For the said Bartram Bewicke's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing to all people, and more especially towards John Valentine. G. S. P. R., Easter, 18 Eliz.

25 APRIL, 18 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Clement's-Danes without the barrs of the New Temple co. Midd., on view of the body of Francis Turner late of the said parish yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 24th instant, the said Francis Turner and a certain John Williams *alias* Williamson late of London yoman, and a certain Marmaduke Glover late of London gentleman, were together at the dwelling-house of Thomas Wryght within the said parish, when divers insulting words were exchanged between Francis Turner and John Williams, whereupon Francis Turner rose from table, and went out of the said house into the open space near Lyons Inne in the same parish, whither he was speedily followed by John Williams and Marmaduke Glover, who accompanied him to St. Clement's Feildes in the same parish, where John Williams and Francis Turner fought together: And that in the affray so fought John Williams slew and murdered Francis Turner, by giving him with a sword a mortal blow on his left arm, of which he died within half-an-hour: And That Marmaduke Glover abetted, aided and encouraged the said John Williams to commit the same murder. On his arraignment, putting himself 'Not Guilty' of murder, but 'Guilty' of manslaughter, John Williams asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered according to the form of the statute. G. D. R., 2 Aug., 18 Eliz.

4 MAY, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of Geoffrey Penington of Wygom co. Lancaster gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds, and of George Leight of the parish of St. Foster, London, gouldsmythe, and Robert Shawe of the parish of St. Gregory in London marchent-taylour, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the said Geoffrey Pennington's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace to be held for the co. of Midd. after the feast of next Michaelmas, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people, and more especially towards Henry Fryerson. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 18 Eliz.

6 MAY, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Osterley in the parish of Heston co. Midd. on the said day about ten p.m., Joan Eyer wife of Nicholas Eyer of Heston aforesaid husbandman, and Mary Harrys of the same parish spinster, broke into a certain park, enclosed with pales and posts for the preservation of deer and other animals of Sir



Thomas Gresham knt. (the said Queen Elizabeth with divers great and honourable persons of her Privy Council, and many other exalted men and servants of the same Queen, in attendance there on the same Lady the Queen, being then in the mansion-house of the same Sir Thomas Gresham knt., called Osterley Parke House within the said park in Heston) and "*cum vangis, ligonibus, fustibus et securibus*" tore up and threw down four rods (rodas) of the posts and pales of the same Thomas Gresham, which posts and pales, so torn up and thrown down, the said Joan and Mary on 7 May 18 Eliz., about the second and third hours of the morning (in *Aurora ante meridiem ejusdem diei*), maliciously, diabolically and wickedly burnt and consumed with fire, to the very great disquiet and disturbance of the said Lady the Queen, and of the magnates and honourable men, and the exalted men and servants of the same Queen.—Also, on the same file, another True Bill touching the same affair and setting forth that Joan Eyer of Heston co. Midd., Mary Harrys spinster, Isotta Bull spinster, Lucy Saunders spynster, Margaret Wynge wife of Henry Wynge laborer, Margery Hughes wife of Nicholas Hughes laborer, Joan Bull widow, all being of Heston aforesaid with unknown disturbers of the Peace, to the number of twenty persons, at the command and instigation of George Lenton taylor and Nicholas Hewes husbandman, both of Heston aforesaid, on the 7th day of May 18 Elizabeth, with staves, two-pronged forks, spades and axes at Osterley Park (the said Queen being then there at Osterley House, with divers of the magnates and honourable men of Her Privy Council), "*quoddam fossatum ejusdem Thome Gresham militis et per ipsum antea factum . . . . . foderunt, everterunt et plane jacere fecerunt et cansaverunt ad grave (? damnum) et prejudicium ipsius Thome Gresham militis.*"—Appearing in one of the lightest of the fragmentary Rolls, these two notable indictments come to us under circumstances causing uncertainty as to the date and locality of the Session at which they were taken; but they were probably taken at the Session of the Peace held at Fynnesburye co. Midd. on 18 June 18 Eliz. before John Southcott (Justic' dne Regine ad placita coram ipsa tenenda), Sir Owen Hopton knt., William Fletewood esq. and Recorder of London, Jasper Fysshier, Barnard Randolph and Thomas Bygate esquires, Justices of the Peace, and adjourned "*vsque xix diem dicti mensis Junii apud le Castell in Seint Johns Strete in com. p'd'co', ad quos diem et locum Juratores predicti exact' venerunt coram prefato Jaspero Fysshier, Barnardo Randolph, Toma Bygate et Georgio . . . . .*" S. P. R., . . . ., 18 Eliz.

7 MAY, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Milende co. Midd., Thomas Leman and Henry Whyteakers, stole and carried off twelve sheep, worth three pounds, of the goods and chattels of William

Hamon. Of each prisoner it is recorded, "Po se cul ca null' petit librum legit ut clericus et *deliberatur juxta formam statuti &c.*" G. D. R., 19 June, 18 Eliz.

17 MAY, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hendon co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Androwes late of London laborer, stole a purse worth a half-penny, and six shillings and four pence being in the same purse, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Robert Bonyon. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Robert Androwes was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 19 June, 18 Eliz.

23 MAY, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Awsterley co. Midd. on the said day, Andrew Robynson late of London yoman stole a parcel-gilt silver dish, worth four pounds, of the goods and chattels of Robert, Earl of Leicester. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Andrew Robynson asked for the book, read it like a clerk, and was delivered according to the form of the statute &c. G. D. R., 19 June, 18 Eliz.

24 MAY, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jasper Fyssher, esq. J.P., of Francis Thorresby of London gentleman, and Sampson Lenard of Senock co. Kent gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the appearance of Dorothy Parkyns, wife of Henry Parkyns of London gentleman, at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 19 June, 18 Eliz.

15 JUNE, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of Tymothy Pendry of the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields writer (scriptor) in the sum of twenty pounds, and of Walter Weekes of Westminster gentleman and Edward Brand of the parish of St. Andrew in Holborne draper, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the said Tymothy Pendrey's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, "Bycause he was taken yesternight at 12 of the clocke by the constable of St. Martins in the Fildes and others of the watch then w<sup>th</sup> y<sup>e</sup> said constable: the said constable demanding of him certen questions as to his office doth apperteyne, he did bid him kisse his taile, As Poule Obylins and Thomas . . . did testifie being then in the watche." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 18 Eliz.

17 JUNE, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Robert Salterbey and John Partryge, both late of London yomen, stole "sex libras croci vocat' safferon" worth six pounds and twelve shillings, of the goods and chattels of Basil Tuberville of London grocer. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Robert Salterbey was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 19 June, 18 Eliz.

— JUNE, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that [due notice having been given publicly in the parish church of Fulham, on the Lord's Day next after the feast of Easter, that six certain days, viz. the 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, and 23rd days of June in the said year, were appointed for

mending and repairing the highways of Fulham] John Johnson of London gentleman, having in his occupation one hundred and twenty acres of land, being A Plougheland and more, neither found nor sent any wain or cart, fitted according to the custom of the country with oxen, horses or other cattle, two fit men, and fit necessities for carting things for this purpose, either for the said six days or for any one of them. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 18 Eliz.

22 JUNE, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood, Recorder of London J.P., of Richard Nicholson of London carpenter, in the sum of twenty pounds, and of John Nicolson tyler and Thomas Hayward clothworker, both of London, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the said Richard Nicholson's appearance at the nexte "Gaole Delivery of Newgate to be holden at the Sessions Hall in the Olde Bayly in the subberbs of London, for the said Citie and the Countye of Midd.", there in his proper person to "pleade his pardone or yelde his bodye to the order of the Courte."

22 JULY, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Thomas Hughes esq., J.P., of Thomas Smith one of the Queen's guard (unus de le garde dict' dne Regine) and William Welles of Woxbridge co. Midd., in the sum of five pounds each, and of Thomas Woldar horse-corsor in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Thomas Woldar's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards Thomas Hawle horscorsor. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 18 Eliz.

26 JULY, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, whereas Joan Wynstone, Elizabeth Hopkyns and Margaret Archer on the 6th of February last past, were convicted of vagrancy and sentenced to be whipt and burnt on the gristle of the right ear with a hot iron of a thumb's circuit, the same Joan, Elizabeth and Margaret, being each of them over eighteen years of age, on the aforesaid 26th of July were vagrants at Clarkenwell co. Midd. and other places of the same county. Joan Wynstone and Margaret Archer put themselves 'Guilty,' but Elizabeth Hopkins put herself 'Not Guilty' and did not retract. At the foot of the bill a memorandum that Margaret Archer was committed to the service and custody of John Luck of Wickeham co. Bucks. yoman, for the space of two years, the said John being bound in his own recognizance in the sum of ten pounds to produce the same Margaret at Session of the Peace on the expiration of the said term, or else to produce sufficient proof of her death. Followed by another Memorandum in these remarkable words, "Et eciam venit Thomas Wynstone de Clarkenwell in com. Midd. laborer et retinuit in servicio suo Johannam Winstone vxorem ejus pro duobus annis integris proxime sequentibus et recognovit se debere domine Regne x li. legalis monete Anglie sub consimili

condicione."—And Thomas Wynstone of Clarkenwell labourer came and retained in his service Joan Winstone his wife for the two entire years next following, and acknowledged that he owed the Queen ten pounds of the lawful money of England under the like condition. G. D. R., 2 Aug., 18 Eliz.

1 SEPTEMBER, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of Edward Benet of Rislippe co. Midd. serving-man, in the sum of one hundred marks, and of Edmund Smith gentleman and John Thomas gentleman, both of the aforesaid parish, in the sum of forty pounds each ; For the said Edward Benet's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his good conduct towards all people. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 18 Eliz.

1 SEPTEMBER, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of Edmund Smith of Rislippe co. Midd. gentleman in the sum of one hundred marks, and of John Thomas gentleman and William Kyrton yoman, both of the aforesaid parish, in the sum of forty pounds each ; For the said Edmund Smith's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the meantime for his good conduct towards all people. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 18 Eliz.

4 SEPTEMBER, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day "in regia via ibidem vocat' the Stone Bridge," William Jones and Edmund Barney assaulted Robert Lucas and Robert Morris, servants of Robert Hopton esq., Mashal of the Queen's Household, and beat and wounded them so that their lives were despaired, and robbed them of a woollen-cloth cloak "coloris sheepes coler" worth four pounds, of the goods and chattels of Robert Hopton esq., then in the keeping of Robert Morris, and a woollen-cloth cloak "coloris Turkey coler" and "layed on with lace" worth forty shillings, and two swords, worth respectively twelve shillings and twenty shillings. Both highwaymen confessed the indictment, and were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 15 March, 19 Eliz.

26 SEPTEMBER, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Rowland Fysshers of Fulham co. Midd. baker sold divers loaves called "penny whyteloves and penny Wheaten loves," each of them wanting assay to the quantity of eight ounces.—Also, similar True Bill against Roger Dove of Brayneford co. Midd. for selling loaves called penny whiteloves and penny wheaten loves at Brayneford, each of them being under assay to the quantity of two ounces. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 18 Eliz.

3 OCTOBER, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, having on the 2nd of Aug. 18 Eliz., been dealt with as a rogue and vagrant in accordance with the statute of 14 Elizabeth, and been committed into service to

John Luck of Wickham co. Bucks. yoman, Margaret Archer withdrew herself from his government without his permission; and also that Joan Winston had in like manner on the same 3rd of October deserted the service of Thomas Wynston of Clarkenwell co. Midd. laborer, to whose keeping and custody she had been committed on the same aforementioned 2nd of August. Putting themselves 'Guilty' both women pleaded pregnancy. Found pregnant by a jury of matrons Margaret Archer was remanded. Found 'Not Pregnant' by the same jury of matrons, Joan Wynston was forthwith sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 30 Aug., 19 Eliz.

25 OCTOBER, 18 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Bernard Randolph and William Wightman, esqs. and J.P., of Thomas Phillippe of Braynforde, in the sum of twenty pounds, and of John Benet tanner and Roger Amerye chapman, both of Braynforde aforesaid; For the said Thomas Phillippe's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his good conduct to all people, because "he gretlie misvsd Mr. Rich a Justice of the Peace in the shire sainge he was no Justice but of sturr, as he confessed, but ii or iii others affirmed y<sup>e</sup> he said y<sup>e</sup> he was a Justice of troble envie and wrathe and y<sup>e</sup> it is pitie that they live y<sup>e</sup> made him a Justice." G. S. P. R., Easter, 19 Eliz.

1 NOVEMBER, 18 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Laleham co. Midd. on the said day, Helen Beriman spinster, otherwise styled Helen wife of Henry Beryman of the said parish husbandman, practised witchcraftes, enchantements, charmes and sorceries on four calves worth thirty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Lionel Dockett at Laleham, so that she killed the same calves. Putting herself 'Not Guilty,' she was acquitted. G. S. P. R., Easter, 19 Eliz.

29 JANUARY, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of January, Giles Percy late of London yoman, being over eighteen years old, took at Shoreditche and carried off a certain "*catenam auri vocat' a cheene ad valenciam xxv li.*," of the goods and chattels of his master John Tanfeilde, who had confided the said chain to the same Giles, to keep for his said master's use, before he (the said Giles) carried it off with the intention of feloniously converting it to his own use. G. D. R., 2 Aug., 19 Eliz.

20 FEBRUARY, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harefeilde co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Fleetwoode late of London yoman stole a linen sheet worth sixteen pence, another linen sheet worth twelve pence, and another linen sheet worth twenty pence, of the goods and chattels of an unknown man; and further stole two linen sheets worth two shillings and sixpence, of the goods and chattels of Francis Weethered at Harefelde. *Po se cul ca null' petit librum legit vt clericus et deliberatur juxta formam statuti.* G. D. R., 22 April, 19 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARV, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Thomas Barlowe, late of London yeoman, stole a gold ring worth thirty-six shillings, and also stole fourteen shillings in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of Thomas Walthoe.—Declaring himself ‘Guilty,’ and being asked by the Court how he would acquit himself of the charge, Thomas Barlowe declined to put himself on a jury of the country, but would put himself wholly on God and Justice: whereupon it was decreed that he should go to punishment. G. D. R., 30 Aug., 19 Eliz.

4 MARCH, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Ralph Busbye late of London yeoman stole “novemdecim camisas vocat’ shertes ad valenciam xix li., duodecim mappas vocat’ handkerchers ad valenciam xxs., tresdecim pecias panni linei vocat’ bandes and ruffes ad valenciam xxxs., tres pecias panni linei vocat’ gorgets ad valenciam xs.” of the goods and chattels of some unknown man, being in the keeping of John Mauncheater and his wife Agnes at Westminster. Po se cul ca null petit librum legit vt clericus et deliberatur juxta formam statuti. G. D. R., 22 April, 19 Eliz.

11 MARCH, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Est Smythfeld co. Midd. on the said day, a certain Richard Blunt was killed by a certain John Tarlton *alias* Thorneton, fighting in his (the said John’s) lawful self-defence, and after death was carried to a certain house belonging to the Queen aforesaid in the same Est Smythfeld, and called “the Queen’s store house”: and that thereupon Robert Hodeson of London gentleman, the Queen’s coroner within the city of London, came to the same storehouse, and then and there by color of his office, but unlawfully and without any sufficient warrant, held and took an inquest, how and when the said Richard Blunt came by his death. G. D. R., 22 April, 19 Eliz.

12 MARCH, 19 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken on the said day at Est Smythfeld co. Midd., on view of the body of Richard Blunt late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, whereas John Tarlton *alias* Thorneton, late of Est Smythfeld yoman, was with divers unknown persons on the 11th inst. in a certain close called Well Close in Est Smythfeld in God’s and the Queen’s peace between three and five p.m., there came to the same place Richard Blunt, having in his right hand “unum gladium de ferro et calibe *Anglice* a raper,” worth five shillings, and in his left hand a dagger worth twelve pence, who with the same sword and dagger assaulted the said John Tarlton with the intention of killing him; upon which the said John withdrew from his assailant for the space of ten ells or more, even to a certain ditch beyond which he could not retreat, by reason of

the multitude of persons then being there; And That the said Richard with his sword and dagger drawn followed the said John, who, having in his right hand a sword worth six shillings and in his left hand a dagger worth sixpence, in his self-defence with the said sword struck the said Richard a blow in the left eye, giving him a mortal wound of which he instantly died, and so killing the said Richard in no other way than that of self-defence; and That John Tarlton *alias* Thorneton neither on the said day nor now has any lands tenements or chattels besides the sword and dagger afore-valued. At the foot of the Inquisition this memorandum: Et cons est qd. Johes Tarlton *alias* Thorneton eat inde sine die virtute perdonac' dce dne Regin' eidem Joh'i' concess gerent dat xij die Aprilis anno regni sui xix°. G. D. R., 22 April, 19 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 19 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jasper Fyssher esq. J.P., of William Gunter of Kynbereye co. Bark. gentleman and Arthur Readinge of Underleigh co. Herts. gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds each, and of Richard Chatterton of Carleton co. Wilts. gentleman, in the sum of one hundred marks; For the said Richard Chatterton's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., 22 April, 19 Eliz.

6 APRIL, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Hugh Aprise, William Davis and Thomas Caverly, all late of London yomen, stole a gown of "tuffed mockadoe" worth four pounds, a russet-coloured woollen-cloth cloak worth forty shillings, and "vnam tuniculam de mockadoe ad valenciam xviii.s.," of the goods and chattels of . . . "Po se cul ca null sus." G. D. R., 22 April, 19 Eliz.

14 APRIL, 19 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Seynt Katherins co. Midd., on view of the body of a certain female infant, there lying dead: With Verdict that, at the dwellinghouse of John Gott, her master, at the said parish hat-maker, Alice Saunders late of the said parish, on the 12th inst. between seven and eight a.m., secretly brought forth the same infant, and forthwith slew and murdered it by suffocating it. On her arraignment, Alice Saunders put herself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 22 April, 19 Eliz.

20 MAY, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Wappynge co. Midd. on the night of the said day, John Bootes late of London yoman (not in custody) broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Thomas Hamp-ton gentleman (the said Thomas and his family being at that time there), and stole therefrom "a medley grene" woollen-cloth cloak worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Thomas: And That Susanna Quiney, late of London spinster, and Richard Quynney late of London yoman (both being 'extra prisonem'), knowing that the

said John Bootes had committed the said burglary, received, aided and comforted him on 8 June 19 Eliz. at Charingcrosse in the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields. G. D. R., . . . . 20 Eliz.

9 JUNE, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of June, Benjamin Dale late of London yoman, by certain false and counterfeit letters addressed in the name of a certain Josias Meuse to James Normanton of Milende, induced the said James to deliver into his keeping a certain gelding with a bridle and a bit, of the goods and chattels of the said Josias; and that having thus “per fraudem deceptionem et astutiam vocat’ cosenyng” gained possession of the animal he fraudulently sold it for the sum of five marks. It was ordered that Benjamin Dale should pay a fine of forty shillings and be put in the Cheapside pillory “Ponetur (*sic*) super pillorium in Cheapeside London et taxatur (*sic*) fine ad xls.” G. D. R., 2 Aug., 19 Eliz.

17 JUNE, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the highway at Busshie Heath co. Midd. on the said day, Francis Lawrence and John Cottingham, both late of London yomen, assaulted John Longe, then and there in God’s and the Queen’s peace riding on the same high way, and stole from him “unam bulgam vocat’ a capcase cum diversis peciis argenti fracti vocat’ broken silver ad valenciam liiis., et certa lapida preciosa vocat’ stones and perles ad valenciam xls., unum pilleum vocat’ a woollen cap et unum pilleum velvett’ vocat’ a velvett cappe ad valenciam viiis.,” a leather purse worth two pence, and four shillings of numbered money. Confessing the indictment, Francis Lawrence was sentenced to be hung. Et predictus Johannes Cottingham dicit quod ipse de feloniam predicta in nullo est culpabilis, Et quesito ab eo per curiam qualiter se velit inde acquietare dicit quod ipse non vult super aliquam juratam patrie ponere nisi solummodo in deo et seipso. Ideo consideratum est quod idem Johannes Cottingham eat ad penam. G. D. R., 2 Aug., 19 Eliz.

1 JULY, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Helen Parker late of London spinster, and Joan wife of Richard Pound of Westminster bocher, stole a white cloak worth seven shillings, “unum par caligarum coloris albi anglice vocat’ a paire of white knite hose ad valenciam duorum solidorum et quatuor denariorum,” a felle hat worth two shillings, and a shirt worth twelve pence. Confessing the indictment, Helen Parker pleaded pregnancy. And afterwards at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate, made on 30 August in the Queen’s 19th year, it was found by the oath of matrons that she was ‘Not Pregnant’: whereupon it was decreed that she should be hung. G. D. R., 2 Aug., 19 Eliz.

7 JULY, 19 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owyn Hopton and Sir George Peckham knts. and Justices &c., of Paul Whyte-



horne gentleman and Thomas Russell cooke, both of the parish of St. Sepulchre London, in the sum of five pounds each, and of William Brooke of Wenlockes Barne co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds; for the said William Brooke's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for the said county. G. D. R., 2 August, 19 Eliz.

10 JULY, 19 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. and J.P., of John Jackson of Kentishtowne co. Midd. tanner in the sum of forty pounds, and of Jasper Hill of the said parish yoman, and Edward Cutte of the parish of St. Sepulchre's London bocher, in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the said John Jackson's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, "for that he was accused to abuse the bodie of one Jowan Hall beinge in his house runyng frome her mystres in London." G. D. R., 2 August, 19 Eliz.

20 JULY, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of July, William Brynley of Wisterton co. Chester gentleman and Richard Fowall of the same place gentleman, broke into the house of Robert Baker at Westminster, and stole therefrom a black-and-tawney coloured gown "of tuffed mockadowe," and "a kyrtell of black burratoc tuffed" worth sixteen shillings, and a woollen-cloth petticoat worth twenty shillings. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 19 Eliz.

6 AUGUST, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hoxton co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Barlowe late of London yoman stole a leather purse, worth two pence, and twenty-seven shillings in numbered money, of the goods and chattels of John Bowen. At the foot of the bill this memorandum,—"*Et prefatus Thomas Barlowe dicit quod ipse de feloniam predictam in nullo est culpabilis; Et quesito ab eo per Curiam qualiter se velit inde acquietare, dicit quod ipse non vult se super aliquam juratam patrie ponere, nisi solummodo in deo et Justicia. Ideo consideratum est quod Thomas eat ad penam.*" In brief and English,—Declaring himself 'Not Guilty,' Thomas Barlowe was asked by the Court how he would clear himself of the charge, when he said he had no wish to put himself on any jury of the country, but would rely on God and Justice. It was therefore decreed that he should go to punishment. G. D. R., 30 Aug., 19 Eliz.

23 AUGUST, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, Roger Baker late of Islington co. Midd. yoman, over twenty years of age, the servant of Thomas Pagitt of the Middle Temple gentleman, had in his custody five pounds of the money of the aforesaid Thomas, which five pounds Barbara Pagitt, wife of the said Thomas and mistress of the said Roger, at the order of the said Thomas, gave to the said Roger in order that he should keep it for her husband's use; and that said Roger went off with the said money, with intention of defrauding

his master of the money, and putting it to his own use. G. D.,  
 . . . Eliz.

19 SEPTEMBER, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harrowe on the said day of September, William Agreenehill of Boxey, in the parish of Harrowe co. Midd. yoman, ingrossed and bought ten quarters of wheat, worth twenty shillings a-quarter, with the intention of selling the same against the form of a certain statute of 5 Edward VI. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 19 Eliz.

19 SEPTEMBER, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harrowehille co. Midd. on the said day, William Fuller *alias* Barnatt butcher ingrossed and bought of divers persons one hundred sheep worth twenty pounds, with the intention of selling the same against the form of a certain statute of 5 Edward VI. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 19 Eliz.

22 SEPTEMBER, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Edgware, Roger Greves late of London yoman stole "*vnum ventrale et vnam ricam panni linei vocat' a neckercher ad valenciam x<sup>d</sup>. de bonis et catallis Agnetis Dente.*" Putting himself 'Guilty,' Roger Greves was sentenced to be flogged from Newgate prison to the Cross of Cheape (a prisona de Newgate vsque Crucem de Cheape London). G. D. R., 7 Oct., 19 Eliz.

28 SEPTEMBER, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Tottenham co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Gorratt of London labourer stole and carried off a dunne gelding worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Robert Chatterton at Tottenham co. Midd. G. D. R.,  
 . . . Eliz.

16 OCTOBER, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Grenewich co. Kent and also at Stratforde-at-Bowe co. Midd., Thomas Dove of Stratforde-at-Bowe inholder and Thomas White of the same place baker conspired to cheat and defraud Alice Carre of Grenewyche co. Kent widow of her goods and chattels in this manner :—That on the aforesaid day and at divers other times, before and afterwards, Thomas White was a suitor to Alice Carre for marriage, who was assured by the same suitor's confederate that he (Thomas White) was a very rich man, having houses and tenements at Stratford-at-Bowe, whereupon at the request of the two conspirators she came from Grenewich to Thomas White's house, which house she was made by Thomas Dove to think was the property of the same Thomas White, though in truth he had no houses nor possessions in Stratforde-at-Bowe or any where else, as Thomas Dove affirmed ; and That by this color and pretext of making and concluding a marriage between her and Thomas White baker, Thomas Dove inholder on the 18th of the aforesaid October took into his hands divers of the said Alice's goods and chattels, to wit a fetherbedd, a bolster, four pillowes and the same Alice's household utensils, and conveyed them to his house

in Stratford-at-Bowe, with the intention of converting them to the uses of himself and his confederate Thomas White ; and that the more craftily to cover their falseness and give it an appearance of truth the aforesaid Thomas Dove and Thomas White on the same 18th of October at Stratford-at-Bowe induced Alice Carre to sign, seal and deliver a certain writing of bargain and sale of the same goods and chattels to Thomas Dove for the sum of twenty-six shillings and eight pence (she being illiterate and ignorant of the contents of the deed), under condition that the writing should be void and of no effect, should she repay before a certain day to Thomas Dove the said twenty-six shillings and eight pence, no part of which sum she ever received to her own use ; and that thus by their falsity and craft, called 'cosonyng,' the said Thomas Dove and Thomas White defrauded and despoiled the said Alice of her goods and chattels. G. D. R., 14 Feb., 20 Eliz.

— OCTOBER, 19 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Nortonfolgate co. Midd. on the said day, William Smythe late of London yoman stole and carried off three "oxehides dressed like buffe" worth five shillings, "a buckeskyn" and "duos coreos vocatos soreskynnes" worth five shillings, a little coat and a pair of leather breeches worth ten shillings, of Henry Etheridge. *Po se cul ca null petit librum non legit vt clericus sus.* G. D., . . . Eliz.

1 DECEMBER, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, Edward Dorrington and Elizabeth Braunte, having been adjudged on 3 June 19 Eliz. to be flogged and burnt on the gristle of the right ear, returned to vagrancy, and on the aforesaid 1 Dec. 20 Eliz. were vagrants at Clarkenwell co. Midd. Both vagrants put themselves 'Guilty'; Edward Dorrington asked for the book, and reading like a clerk was delivered "*secundum formam statuti*"; Elizabeth Braunte was committed for two years to the service and government of Edmund Morraunt of London gentleman, who bound himself in the sum of ten pounds to keep her for two years, and at the end of the term to produce her at G. S. P., or produce proof of her death. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 20 Eliz.

1 DECEMBER, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington between ten and eleven of the night of the same day, Richard Male late of London yoman broke burglariously into the house of Miles Kingemen, and stole therefrom "*unam libratam gariophilorum vocat' cloves ad valenciam xiiis.*" half a pound of saffron worth ten shillings and six pence, and a pound of aromatic nuts called "*nuttemegges*," worth ten shillings. *Cognovit indictamentum:* Sus. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 20 Eliz.

6 DECEMBER, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Adams late of London yoman stole seven yards of silk called "*silke damask*" worth twelve shillings a yard, and six yards of "*silke grograine*" worth twelve

shillings a yard, and six pounds six shillings and eight pence in numbered money ; and That, Nicholas Ashebye of St. Clement's-Danes baker, on the same 6th of December, took counsel with the said Richard, before the commission of the said felony ; and further That the same Nicholas on the same day received, aided, and comforted the said Richard after the commission of the felony, knowing him to have committed it. Putting himself ' Guilty,' Richard Adams asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered according to the form of the statute. To the charge of being an accessory to the felony before its commission, Nicholas " po se non cull nec rec." In respect to the charge of aiding and comforting Richard after the commission of the felony, it is recorded that he put himself ' Guilty,' but was exonerated by the principal's benefit of clergy. G. D., . . . . 20 Eliz.

16 DECEMBER, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Wenloxbarne co. Midd. at a place called Mount Mill, about eight p.m. of the night of the said day, Richard Paunsforthe, William Paunsforth and Giles Harmer, late of London yomen, with seven unknown disturbers of the peace, refused to obey the orders of the watchers at Mount Mill aforesaid, viz. of William Dowdall, Nicholas Bettles, George Lawrens, Humfrey Price, William Scott and divers others keeping watch for the Queen at Wenloxbarne, and with their swords drawn threatened the said watchers, calling out to them, " Rascalles and drunken slaves cume and ye dare and we wilbe your deathes " ; and that afterwards the said Richard Paunsforthe, William Paunsforthe, Giles Harmer and others their companions fled from the said watchers, who, together with Anthony Howson the constable of Wenloxe Barne, pursued them for the purpose of arresting them, whereupon the same disturbers of the peace with swords drawn assaulted the same watchers, and so handled Anthony Howson that his life was despaired of, and then withdrew to the house of Clementes Rigges yoman. G. D. R., . . . . 20 Eliz.

17 DECEMBER, 20 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances of Giles Harmer of Islington yoman in the sum of one hundred pounds, and of Robert Wood of Islington gentleman and Edmund Hynde of the parish of St. Sepulchre yoman, in the sum of fifty pounds each : for the said Giles Harmer's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., 23 Dec., 20 Eliz.

17 DECEMBER, 20 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jasper Fyssher esq. J.P., of Walter Rawley of Islyngton co. Midd. esq., and Martin Eyre of London gentleman, in the sum of fifty pounds each, and of William Pansfurthe, servant of the aforesaid Walter Rawley, in the sum of one hundred pounds ; for the said William's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 23 Dec., 20 Eliz.

19 DECEMBER, 20 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jasper

Fisher esq. J.P., of Thomas Cobham of Goldinge Lane co. Midd. esq. and John Rigges of Davis (*sic*) Inne London gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds each, and of Richard Paunsford yeoman, servant to Walter Rawley esq. of the Court (de curia) in the sum of one hundred marks; for the appearance of the said Richard at the next Session of the Peace co. Midd., to answer to such matters as may be objected against him. G. D. R., 23 Dec., 20 Eliz.

15 JANUARY, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Kensington, Dorothy Pratte *alias* Mounes of the parish of St. Sepulchre widow, Laurence Gybbe *alias* Taylor of the same parish yoman, Richard ap Robertes *alias* Robertes of Fleetlane in London yoman, and John Burde of St. Johns Strete co. Midd. yoman, riotously broke into the dwelling-house at Kensington of William Bingham, and there assaulted Katherine Bingham (wife of the said William), Katherine Lawzon, Anne Lawson and Elizabeth Pennant (servants of the same William) and beat, wounded and maltreated them, so that their lives were despaired of. G. D. R., . . . . 20 Eliz.

22 JANUARY, 20 ELIZABETH.—Imperfect File of a Special Session of Oyer and Terminer held at Westminster on 22 Jan. 20 Eliz. before John Bishop of London, Thomas Lord Buckhurst, Sir Christopher Wrey knt. Chief Justice for pleas to be held before the Queen, Robert Mounson one of the Justices of the Bench, Sir Owin Hopton knt., Gilbert Gerrard the Queen's Attorney-General esq., and William Flete-wood the Recorder of the City of London; and adjourned to the 13th of February in the same year. Containing the following matters,—

(a) Precept of 'Venire Facias' to the Sheriff of Middlesex for the appearance in the Great Hall of Pleas at Westminster on Wednesday 22 Jan. 20 Eliz. at eight a.m. of twenty-four good and loyal men of each hundred of the said county, to enquire, do, present and execute all things that shall then and there be enjoined on the part of the Lady the Queen &c.

(b) Panel of good and loyal men, returned by the Sheriff, in obedience to the Precept.

(c) Panel of Jurors between the Lady the Queen, and Thomas Metham, Margary Anderson, Elinore Brome and Elizabeth Barram *viz.*—Henry Herne, Robert Manne, John Newenham, Thomas Verey, Richard Donnyngton, William Evans, Andrew Holbourne, John Andrewes, Mathew Perrie, Thomas Webbe, William Holt, and Richard Wikes.—

(d) True Bill that Thomas Metham, late of St. Andrew's in Holborn co. Midd. clerk, on 1 Oct. 19 Eliz. at the aforesaid parish of Holborn, voluntarily said, used and celebrated a private mass against the form of a certain Statute of 1 Eliz., and against the peace crown and dignity of

the said now Queen; and that Margery Anderson, late of the parish of St. Dunstain in the West of London spinster, was present at the time of the celebration of the aforesaid mass at the parish of St. Andrew aforesaid, maintaining, strengthening and aiding the same Thomas Metham to celebrate the aforesaid mass, against the peace crown and dignity of the said Queen, and to the ill example of the said Queen's other lieges and subjects. On the bill these memoranda,—

(1) That Thomas Metham confessed the indictment, but the Court wished to deliberate respecting delivery of judgment; (2) That Margery Anderson put herself 'Guilty,' but the Court wished to deliberate respecting delivery of judgment; (po se cul set cur vult ausari de iudicio' rendend'); and (3) Et postea scilt' ad Session' hic tent' xiii<sup>mo</sup> die Februar' anno regni Regine Elizabeth' vicesimo coram Joh'i E'p'o London', Thoma d'n'o Buckhurste, Christofero Wrey milite Capitali Justic' d'c'e d'n'e Regine ad pl'ita coram ip'a tenend' assign', Rob'to Mounson vn' Justic' d'c'e d'n'e Regine de Banco, et Gilberto Gerrard armiger' Atturmat' d'c'e d'n'e Regine Generali Justic' &c. considerat' est q'd p'fat Thomas Metham et Margeria Anderson h'eant penam statut' &c." =And afterwards at the Session held here on 13 Feb. 20 Eliz. before John Bishop of London, Thomas Lord Buckhurste and Sir Christofer Wrey knt. Ch.J. &c. &c. &c. it was considered that the aforesaid Thomas Metham and Margery Anderson should have the penalty of the Statute.—

(e) True Bill that, at Islington co. Midd. on 8th Dec. 20 Eliz., Elinore Brome, wife of Sir Christofer Brome late of Islington knt. received and accepted from her sister, a certain Lady Pawlett widow, a certain token called an Agnus Dei, brought into this kingdom of England from the See of Rome, with the intention of using the said token; And That afterwards, viz. on the aforesaid 8th Dec. 20 Eliz. at Islington aforesaid, the same Elinore Brome "vtebatur *anglice* dyd weare" the said token about her neck, against the form of the Statute &c. At the foot of the bill, this memorandum—"Et p'fat' Elinora Brome po se cul Io cons' est q'd h'eat penam Statut' &c." =And the aforesaid Elinora Brome put herself 'Guilty'; Therefore it was adjudged that she should have the penalty of the Statute.

(f) True Bill that, at Islington co. Midd. on 8 Dec. 20 Eliz., Elizabeth Barram late of the said parish spinster received and accepted from a certain unknown person a certain token called an Agnus Dei, brought into this kingdom of England from the See of Rome, with the intention of wearing the same token; And that afterwards, viz. on 8th Dec. 20 Eliz., the same Elizabeth Barram at Islington aforesaid "dyd weare" the same token about her neck. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum, that the said Elizabeth Barram put herself 'Guilty,'

wherefore it was adjudged that she should have the penalty of the Statute.

(g) True Bill that, at St. Andrew's in Holborne co. Midd. on 1 Dec. 20 Eliz., Thomas Metham, late of the said parish, clerk, voluntarily said, used and celebrated a private mass, against the form of the Statute &c., and against the peace crown and dignity of the said Queen.

(h) True Bill that, at Islington co. Midd. on 14 Sept. 19 Eliz., a certain unknown man, being a clerk, voluntarily said, used and celebrated a private mass, against the form of the Statute &c., and against the said Queen's peace, crown and dignity; And That Eleanore Brome, wife of Sir Christofer Brome late of Islington aforesaid knt., was present at the time of the celebration of the said mass, maintaining, strengthening and aiding the said unknown man to celebrate the same.—On the bill, an endorsement that the Inquest was taken, at Westminster on 22 Jan. 20 Eliz., before Thomas Lord Buckhurst, Sir Owin Hopton knt., Sir Lionel Duckett knt., and William Fletewood esq. and Recorder of London, by the oath of fifteen jurors, whose names appear in the endorsement. S. S. O. T., 22 Jan. and 13 Feb., 20 Eliz.

23 FEBRUARY, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell on the said day Francis Skynner late of Whitechappell smith, assaulted Joan Smithe, an infant of the age of ten years, "*et ipsam Johannam tunc et ibidem . . . rapuit, defloravit et carnaliter cognovit.*" Et predictus Franciscus Skynner po se cul ca null sus. G. D. R., . . . 20 Eliz.

26 MARCH, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Greisinne co. Midd. on the night of the said day, John Parnycote of London yoman broke burglariously into the chamber of Thomas Mountenay in Greisinne, and stole therefrom a black satten doublet worth six shillings, a black silk (taffita) doublet worth five shillings, and "*unum par braccarum de panno laneo coloris nigri vocat' rashe ad valenciam vis,*" of the goods and chattels of Thomas Mountenay. G. D. R., . . . 20 Eliz.

31 MARCH, 20 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of John Bellman of St. John Streat co. Midd. showmaker in the sum of ten pounds, and of George Sewarde taylor and John Browne smythe, both of the said street, in the sum of five pounds each; For the appearance of the said John Bellman at the next General Session of the Peace, "*for that he hathe lodged lewde persons in his house, and also iii or iiij lewde wemenn delyvered of chylde in his howse, and vppon search made by Grymes and Johnes, hedborowes, ther was found in his house thes persons, videlicet Agnes Jenkins, Richard Taylor and Thomas Bould, as Mr. Clerke of the Peace knoweth.*"—Memorandum at foot of the bill, "*Venit et*

consideratum est that he must be carted." G. S. P. R., Easter, 20 Eliz.

4 APRIL, 20 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of Christopher Stockdale of the parish of Strand co. Midd. carpenter, and William Awdridge in the parish of St. Stephen in the ward of Colman streat merchaunt-tayler, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Hugh Stockdale in the said parish of Strand gunpowder-maker : for the appearance of the said Hugh at the next Gaol Delivery, "for that he is suspected to haue stollen about a hundrythe weight and a half of gunpowder from Samuell Thomas gunner, but hee sayeth that he bought about iii pt. of a hundreth of gunpowder at iii several tymes of Thomas Cooke and Thomas Bankes apprentices to the said Samuell Thomas gunner." G. D. R., . . . . 20 Eliz.

15 MAY, 20 ELIZABETH.—Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Heston co. Midd. on view of the body of Harmond Johnson, late of Heston aforesaid yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the night of the 13th instant, between the hours of nine and ten, the said Harmond Johnson and a certain Robert Cooke also of Heston yoman were together in the stable of the house of Sir Thomas Gresham knt. called Asterley in the parish of Heston, and railed at one another with abusive speech, when Harmond Johnson with his right hand struck Robert Cooke on the face : Whereupon Robert Cooke with a meat-knyffe dealt Harmond Johnson in his right breast a mortal blow, of which he died in the course of the next hour and half. At the subsequent Gaol Delivery, Robert Cooke put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read it like a clerk, and was delivered "juxta formam statuti." G. D. R., . . . . 20 Eliz.

18 MAY, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Wilsdon co. Midd. on the said day, Oliver Powell late of London yoman stole a fustian doublet worth sixteen shillings, a pair of canvas breeches worth five shillings, a pair of woollen-cloth breeches ("coloris stamen") worth thirteen shillings, a petticoat worth twenty pence, "tres decem pecias auri cuniati vocat' Angelles ad valenciam vili. xs., vndecem pecias auri vocat' soueraignes ad valenciam vli. xs." and twenty pounds in numbered money. Po se cul ca null' : Sus. G. D. R., . . . . 20 Eliz.

10 JUNE, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, Morgan Jones broke into the mansion-house of Nicholas Maddox in the parish of St. Clement Danes without the bar of the New Temple, London co. Midd. and stole therefrom "vnum librum vocat' a byble ad valenciam xxxs." G. D. R., . . . . 20 Eliz.

13 JUNE, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Henry Hardewicke and Henry Harrison, both late of



London yomen stole "vnum par calligarum vocat' knytte nether stockes ad valenciam iiis.," of the goods and chattels of Margaret Parson. Henry Hardewicke "po se non cul nec rec." Over Henry Harrison's name the memorandum "po se cul ca null rep<sup>i</sup> ante iudicium." G. D. R., . . . . 20 Eliz.

14 JUNE, 20 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on said day of June, on view of the body of Alice Foxe, late of Westminster spynster, there lying dead: With Verdict that, in the night of the 9th instant, between eleven and twelve, the said Alice was in the house of Anthony Percyvall vyntener at Westminster, when Margaret Dorryngton *alias* Mason late of the same city spynster feloniously, diabolically and with malice aforethought assaulted the said Alice Foxe with a knife, with which, holding it in her right hand, she gave the said Alice in the left side of her breast a wound of which she died on the 13th inst. ; and that thus and in no other way the said Margaret slew and murdered the said Alice. At her trial Margaret put herself 'Guilty' and pleaded pregnancy.

19 JUNE, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harmondsworth co. Midd. in the night of the said day, Richard Walker *alias* Whitefoote, late of London yoman, broke burglariously into the house of William Duck, and stole therefrom "duodecem virgatas fibule vocat' billimant lace ad valenciam vs., et tres virgatas de silk freinge ad valenciam iiis." Po se cul de parvo latrocinio Et jur app'ciaver' bona et catall' ad decem denar.' He put himself 'Guilty' of petty larceny, and the jury appraised the goods and chattels at eleven pence. G. D. R., . . . . 20 Eliz.

7 AUGUST, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shordiche on the said day, Thomas Munnynge late of London yoman stole stealthily and secretly a silk-purse worth two pence, a piece of coined gold called an angel worth ten shillings, a piece of coined gold called "an half angel" worth five shillings, another piece of coined gold called "An Inglishe Crowne," and thirteen shillings and four pence in numbered money, of the chattels and moneys of Nicholas Mosse, from the person of the said Nicholas. Po se cul ca null sus. G. D. R., 3 Sept., 20 Eliz.

13 AUGUST, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Lymehouse in the parish of Stebunheth co. Midd., Alice Harvy late of London spinster stole a linen coverlet worth ten pence, of the goods and chattels of John Donnynge. Po se cul ca null Et delib'atur solvendo feodo. G. D. R., 3 Sept., 20 Eliz.

2 SEPTEMBER, 20 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Greis Inne on the said day, John Hyghfeild late of London taylor broke into the house of Geoffrey Osberdson, and stole therefrom a pair of breeches, of black woollen cloth laid out with silk called sarcenett, worth thirty shillings,

a linen coverlet worth five shillings, and a black woollen cloak worth twenty shillings. *Po se cul ca null petit librum legit vt clericus et delib'atur juxta formam statut'.* G. D. R., . . . 3 Sept., 20 Eliz.

23 MARCH, 21 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hackney co. Midd., on view of the body of Juliana Lerede late of the said parish spynster, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 12th instant, the said Juliana, being sick and weak in the dwelling-house of her master, a certain Anthony Trywood of Hackney gentleman, died by Divine Visitation "*de quodam morbo vocat' the plague,*" and in no other way. G. D. R., 7 October, 21 Eliz.

26 APRIL, 21 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood esq. J.P. and Recorder of the city of London, of Thomas Wattes of St. Johns Strete in Clarkenwell co. Midd. blacksmyth, in the sum of one hundred pounds ; For his appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, and in the mean time for his good conduct towards all people. G. D. R., 2 May, 21 Eliz.

1 MAY, 21 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before William Fletewood esq. J.P. and Recorder of the city of London, of William Curle of Enfield yoman, Henry Champion of London mercer, and Nicholas Spencer of the same city merchant-taylor, in the sum of fifty pounds each ; For the said William Curle at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, then and there to answer to all such things as may be objected against him. G. D. R., 2 May, 21 Eliz.

1 MAY, 21 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Old Streat co. Midd. on the said day, Josselin Turnor, Thomas Randall, Robert Alison, Robert Pinchebecke and Thomas Saddleton, all of London bruers, with many unknown pesons, assaulted Elizabeth Burton wife of Richard Burton, and beat and maltreated her so that her life was despaired of.—Also, touching the same affair, True Bill that at Old Streat co. Midd. on the same day, Thomas Froste iron-monger, and the aforementioned Robert Alyson, Josselin Turnor, Thomas Randall, Robert Pynchebecke and Thomas Saddeler (*sic*), all of London bruers, with many unknown disturbers of the peace, violently assaulted Elizabeth Burton, wife of Richard Burton, and Peter Blackwell, servant of the same Richard.—Also, touching the same affair, that on the said 1st day of May the same rioters made violent and unlawful entry on a certain tenement in Old Streat, belonging to the same Richard Burton. G. D. R., 2 May, 21 Eliz.

20 JULY, 21 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Elyng co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Smythe gentleman and James Darker yoman, both late of Acton, stole a dun ("*doun*") mare, of the goods and chattels of Mary . . . of Elyng.—Also, another True Bill against the same gentleman-horsestealer, and James Darker laborer (*sic*),

for stealing on 15 Aug. of the same year a darke yron-greye gelding, and a daple-greye gelding called a "nagge," of the goods and chattels of William Payne esq. at Fulham.—Also, a third True Bill against the same two horse-stealers for stealing, on 17 Sept. of the same year, a gelding "blacke with a balde face and three white feet" worth five pounds, of the goods and chattels of William Dodington esq. at Kensington. Both thieves put themselves 'Guilty' and were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 21 Eliz.

6 AUGUST, 21 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood esq., Recorder of the city of London, of William Nytingall of London yoman in the sum of forty pounds, and of Thomas Cranmer of Grystowe co. York esq. and William Fysshier of St. Michael's, Cornhill, London merchant-taylor, in the sum of twenty pounds each : For the said William Nytingall's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing toward the people, and more especially towards William Burdsall of the parish of St. Clement Danes gentleman. G. D. R., . . . . 21 Eliz.

10 AUGUST, 21 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of George Browne of Clementes Inn co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds, and of John Jaxon of St. Mildred's in Bredstret Ward in London citizen and pewterer, and Philip Wynstone of Langaron co. Heriforde gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each ; For the said George Browne's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace for co. Midd. to be held after the feast of next Easter, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing to all people. G. S. P. R., Easter, 22 Eliz.

11 AUGUST, 21 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, on view of the body of Robert Lenewood of London yoman, then and there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 10th inst. between four and five p.m., the said Robert Lenewood, and a certain Henry Farmor late of Westminster yoman and James Blinckinsopp late of the same city yoman were together at a house called The Quenes Head in the aforesaid parish, when they interchanged contumelious words ; Whereupon the three went out of the house into the common street near Charing Crosse, and the same Robert Lenewood drawing his sword advanced on Henry Farmor, who drew out his sword quickly ; and that forthwith the two with their swords, between the aforesaid hours, fought with one another in the common way, and in the affray Henry Farmor with his sword gave Robert Lenewood on the left side of his breast a mortal blow, of which the said Robert then and there died instantly : And That James Blinckinsopp with his sword drawn was then and there

present, abetting and encouraging the said Henry to commit the said felony, and in this way and no other the said Henry and James killed and slew the said Robert. At his trial Henry Farmer "*po se cul ca null, petit librum legit vt clericus et del.*" G. D. R., 7 Oct., 21 Eliz.

25 AUGUST, 21 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smyth esq. J.P., of John Traherne, servant of Sir James A'Croft, and Richard Blower of St. Sepulchre's parish merchaunt-taylor, in the sum of ten pounds each, and John Middleton of Westminster taylor in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of the said John Middleton at the next General Session of the Peace. G. D. R., . . . . 21 Eliz.

3 SEPTEMBER, 21 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on view of the body of Richard Gitteys (*sic*) late of the said city, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 31 August last past, between seven and eight p.m., the said Richard Gitteys and a certain John Gryffithe, late of Westminster yoman, were together in Kingestrete in Westminster, when they exchanged contumelious words, upon which they fought one another, at first with hands and fists, and made an affray, in which the aforesaid John Gryffith with a dagger of iron and steel, worth twelve pence, which he had in his right hand, gave the said Richard Gyttoyes on the right part of his head, over the eye, a mortal wound, of which he died on the aforesaid 3rd of September. At his trial John Gryffiths put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 21 Eliz.

4 SEPTEMBER, 21 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Stebunheth co. Midd., on view of the body of Alexander Barnes late of the said parish yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Alexander came to his death by mischance in the Liffel Common of the said parish, where on 23 Aug. 21 Eliz. he was present at the archery practice of divers archers, then and there shooting "*longis arcubus ad communes notas vocatas lez xii skore pryckes,*" when between two and three p.m. of the said day, he was struck on the head by an arrow shot by John Savadge late of Stebunheth yoman, and received from the same arrow a wound, of which he died on the 3rd of the instant month. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 21 Eliz.

8 SEPTEMBER, 21 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of William Hodgeson of Waltham Crosse co. Midd. clerk, in the sum of forty pounds, and of Henry Wynborne of Westminster gentleman, and Robert Yoward of St. Clement's parish, in the ward of Langborne in London, citizen and clothworker, in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the said William Hodgeson's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, to answer all matters then and there objected against him. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 21 Eliz.

17 SEPTEMBER, 21 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Kensington on the said day, William Newnham late of London gentleman, *alias* William Claxon late of London gentleman, stole a mare worth five pounds and a gelding worth five pounds, of the goods and chattels of William Doddingeton.—Also, a True Bill against the same William Newnham *alias* Claxon gentleman, for stealing at Fulham a grey gelding, called “a nagge,” worth six pounds thirteen shillings and eightpence, of the goods and chattels of William Payne. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 21 Eliz.

4 DECEMBER, 22 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, William Horner of London sayler stole three cups of silver, called “white playne silverboles” worth nine pounds, another cup of silver called “a silver bole beinge imbossed and graven” worth fifty shillings, three “playne white salts” worth seven pounds, and “unum poculum argenti vocat’ a tanckerd,” and twelve silver spoons worth four pounds. Cognovit Indictamentum Sus. G. D. R., 18 Dec., 22 Eliz.

22 MARCH, 22 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harris esq. J.P., of John Leeke of St. Martin’s in London leatherseller, in the sum of ten pounds, and Edward Browne of Roston co. Chester yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Edward Browne’s appearance at the next General Session of the Peace to be held in Midd., then and there to answer to all things that may be objected against him, he being thus bound for “suspicion of felony.” G. S. P. R., Easter, 22 Eliz.

EASTER, 22 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance of Thomas Mathewe in the sum of ten pounds: Thomas Mathewe de Seint Clementes Danes in com. Midd. recognovit se debere dne Regine xli. qd. deinceps erun projiciet nec evacuabit lez close stooles in communi strat’ apud St. Clementes Danes predict’ nec in Cimiterio nec in fonte ibidem vt solebat. G. S. P. R., Easter, 22 Eliz.

24 JULY, 22 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Goldinge lane in a place called Vyne Alley in St. Giles’s parish, John Toolye late of London yoman stole divers pieces of linen cloth “called Lankeshyre clothe and huswyves cloathe” worth four pounds, of the goods and chattels of Alexander Newton citizen and haberdassher. Po se cul ca null sus. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 22 Eliz.

2 AUGUST, 22 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Harrowe-super-montem co. Midd., on view of the body of a certain male infant, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that Elizabeth Edlyn, late of Little Wembley co. Midd. spinster, on 19 July 22 Elizabeth, between twelve and two p.m. brought forth the same living male infant “in quodam cubiculo” in the house of her master, John Page, in Wembley aforesaid; and that, after the birth of the said infant, Francis

Shoosmithe *alias* Soughesmithe of Wembley brewer, between eight and ten p.m. of the said 19th of July, being in the said "cubiculum" and seeing the said male infant there, carried it away secretly to a certain place, called the Hedegrowe in a certain field called Bogers Croftes at Wembly aforesaid in the parish of Harrowe-super-montem, and made an assault on the infant with both his hands in that place, and put it under the earth and buried it there, and with the earth oppressed and suffocated it then and there, by reason of which it died, and thus with malice aforethought the said Francis slew and murdered the same male infant. On his arraignment for the murder, Francis Shoosmithe put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 22 Eliz.

5 SEPTEMBER, 22 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of Stebunheth co. Midd., on view of the body of John Sherwell late of Stebunheth aforesaid, marrener, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 28 August last past, in the highway called Ratclyffe Walle, the said John Sherwell and a certain John Lawrence of Eastsmithfeild co. Midd. marrener exchanged opprobrious words, and that mindful of this disagreement they went, between four and five a.m. on the following day (29 August) to a certain field called Hemynges Close near the Wyndmill at Stebunheth with the intention of fighting together, John Sherwell having in his right hand a sword and in his left hand a buckler, and John Lawrence having in both his hands a piked staff called "a Danske javelin," and that between the said hours they fought together and made an affray, in which the said John Lawrence with his javelin gave John Sherwell on the head a mortal wound, of which he died on the present 5th day of September; and that in this way John Lawrence slew and murdered John Sherwell. On his arraignment for the murder John Lawrence put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 22 Eliz.

8 SEPTEMBER, 22 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Hounslow Heath on the said day, Robert Marrier late of London yoman assaulted John Washington, beat him so that his life was despaired of, and robbed him of twenty-one shillings of numbered money. Po se cul ca null sus. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 22 Eliz.

16 SEPTEMBER, 22 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington on the said day, Mary Mauncell late of Islington co. Midd. spinster stole "*duo ventralia panni lanei coloris nigri vocat' saffegardes ad valenciam viiiz. et duas pecias panni linei vocat' Croseclothess ad valenciam iiz.*" of the goods and chattels of Elizabeth Tomplinson. Po se cul de parvo latrocinio ca null et Jurati appreciavere bona et catalla ad vndecem denar. Et del' solvend' feod: = She put herself 'Guilty' of petty larceny, had no chattels; and the Jurors appraised the goods and

chattels at eleven pence ; and she was delivered on payment of the fee. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 22 Eliz.

26 SEPTEMBER, 22 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hendon on the said day, Walter Buckmore of London yoman, stole “*unum annulum auri ad valenciam ijs., vnum par spinther de argent vocat' taches ad valenciam xviid.,*” and thirty shillings in numbered money, of the goods and chattels of Agnes Lingham. *Po se cul ca null sus.* G. D. R., 7 Oct., 22 Eliz.

4 OCTOBER, 22 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. on the said day, John Doviatt of Strand co. Midd. “*medicus,*” made by force an unlawful entry into “*unum cubiculum ejusdem Roberti Peterson joyner,*” and disseized him thereof, and still keeps him out “*de eodem cubiculo.*” G. D. R., 7 Oct., 22 Eliz.

1 DECEMBER, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day in the highway of Holborne co. Midd., near “*Davides Inne,*” Richard Conysbye of Buscombe co. Berks. gentleman assaulted, beat and wounded Henry Hawthorne of Hurste co. Wiltes gentleman, and drew blood from the same Henry. G. S. P. R., Easter, 23 Eliz.

30 DECEMBER, 23 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of Thomas Lewes of the parish of St. Giles-without-Creppilgate carter, in the sum of twenty pounds, and John Wrichte of the said parish carter and John Bothe of the parish of St. Thomas of the Apostle “*in warda vintri*” London, citizen and clothworker, in the sum of ten pounds each ; For the said Thomas Lewes's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, “*for that hee with others heere likewise bounde did assalte and beate one Robert Stevinson att the Parke Corner, hee goinge whome to his house att Kingston about v or vi of the clocke att nighte.*”—Also, on the same file, and taken on the same day, three sets of recognizances for the appearance of Daniel Cowper of the parish of St. Giles-without-Crippelgate carter, John Nicolls of Lambeth co. Surrey waterman, and Nicholas Ball of St. Giles's aforesaid carter, at the next General Sessions, to answer for their parts in the assault on Robert Stevinson aforesaid at the “*Parke Corner.*” G. S. P. R., Easter, 23 Eliz.

2 JANUARY, 23 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harris esq. J.P., of Barnard Poole shomaker and John Thorney boocher, both of Graiss Inn Lane co. Midd., in the sum of five pounds each, and of George Pegsworth of Graiss Inn Lane surgion, in the sum of ten pounds, for the said George's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. Note at foot of the bill,—“*For Play.*” G. S. P. R., Easter, 23 Eliz.

10 JANUARY, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Ratclyff co. Midd.

on the said day, William Whytmore late of Stratforde Langthorne co. Essex, William Fayreman late of Ratclyff co. Midd., Henry Gryffyn late of Ratclyff aforesaid, and John Harris late of Lymehouse co. Midd., assaulted Walter Hedd *alias* Hedley, "one of the yeomen of the Quenes Maiesties garde," then wearing the coat or livery of the same Queen; and That the said William Whytmore with an halberd slew and murdered the same Walter Hedd *alias* Hedley, giving him therewith on the top of his head a wound, of which he died on the following 13th January 23 Eliz.; and That William Fayreman with a drawn sword, and Henry Gryffyn and John Harris with halberds, were present at the affray, and aiding and encouraging the said William Whytmore to commit the said murder. G. D. R., 28 June, 23 Eliz.

18 FEBRUARY, 23 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before John Haynes esq. J.P., of Robert Swift of London gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Robert Swift's appearance at "the next quarter Sessions att Westminster," to give evidence against Walter Chambers. G. S. P. R., Easter, 23 Eliz.

9 MARCH, 23 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smithe esq. J.P., of Lewis Floyde servant of Sir Christofer Hatton knt., and William Smith servant of Arthur Gorge esq. one of the Queen's pensioners, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Edward ap' Thomas, servant of Anthony Myldmay esq., in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Edward ap' Thomas's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. S. P. R., Easter, 23 Eliz.

18 MARCH, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Thomas Norwood of Great Stanmore co. Midd. gentleman, and an inhabitant of the said parish, for not going to church in the said parish, nor to any other church, chapel or place of Common Prayer, from 18 March 23 Eliz. to the 1st of October then next following. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 23 Eliz.

18 MARCH, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that (whereas it is enacted by a certain statute of parliament of 23 Elizabeth, that every person over sixteen years of age, who should refrain from attending at church, chapel or some usual place of common prayer, against the tenor of a certain statute of the first year of her Majesty's reign For Uniformity of Common Prayer, and should be lawfully convicted thereof, should forfeit for each month, after the end of the said session of parliament, in which he or she should so refrain, the sum of twenty pounds of lawful money) Elizabeth Cordell, wife Edward Cordell of Fulham co. Midd. esq., and dwelling in the said parish, from the 18th March 23 Eliz. to 1st Oct. then next following refrained from attending divine service at the church of Fulham, and went to no other church, chapel or usual place of Common Prayer. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 23 Eliz.



18 MARCH, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Anne Chapman, wife of William Chapman of Heesse co. Midd. yoman, otherwise styled Anne Chapman of Woxbridge co. Midd. spinster, dwelling at Woxbridge within the parish of Hillingdon, for not going to church at Hillingdon, or any other church, chapel or usual place of Common Prayer from the 18th March 23 Eliz. to the 1st of October then next following. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 23 Eliz.

18 MARCH, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 18 March last past to the 26th of the instant June, against . . . . Lady Metham widow, Edward Palmer yoman, Martin . . . ., Robert Gryndall taylor, all of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields.—Also, similar True Bills for not going to any church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from 20th May 23 Eliz. to the 26th of June then next following, against . . . . Strowde of Hopton co. Midd. yoman; Mary Fowler of the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd. spinster; Juliana Birde wife of William Byrde gentleman, and John Reason yoman, of Harlington co. Midd.; . . . . spinster (whose name is no longer legible on the decayed record) of Ruyslippe co. Midd.; and Elizabeth Eden wife of John Eden, and Katherine Eden spinster, both of Ruyslippe. G. D. R., 28 June, 23 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 23 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Gabriell Goodman, Dean of the Collegiate Church of Westminster and J.P., of Henry Hyndle of Paddington co. Midd. wever, Richard Johnson of the same parish wever, Edward Norham of Fulham co. Midd. wever, and Thomas Kyng of Fulham aforesaid taylor, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Thomas Dodd yoman, James Hollydaye taylor, and Edward Jones taylor, all three of Westminster, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the appearance of the aforesaid Henry Hyndle, Richard Johnson, Edward Norham and Thomas Kyng, at the next General Session of the Peace.—Signed, Gabriell Goodman. G. S. P. R., Easter, 23 Eliz.

22 MARCH, 23 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of John Grene late of London, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that the said John Grene sickened and languished for the space of a month within the said gaol, and died there on the 22nd of March by Divine Visitation, of a disease called "the burnyng of the bellie." G. D. R., 7 April, 23 Eliz.

25 MARCH, 23 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before John Haynes esq. J.P., of Cutbard Wallop of St. Pulchar's parish in London tailour, in the sum of five pounds, "That he do gyve evidēce and purswe the Lawe with effect against Judith Griffith

and Katherin Hawton at the tyme of their triall." G. S. P. R., Easter, 23 Eliz.

13 MAY, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to divine service in the parish-church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, nor to any other usual place of Common Prayer, from 13th May 23 Eliz. to the 1st of October then next following, against Francis Brygham gentleman, dwelling in the said parish. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 23 Eliz.

23 MAY, 23 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of James Dale of Gray's Inne gentleman, and Thomas Skydmore of the Inner (? Temple) gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and Anthony Rone of . . . gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Anthony's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. D. R., 28 June, 23 Eliz.

26 MAY, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to any church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 26th May last past to the 26th June then next following, against Richard Craighe clerk, Thomas Cotham clerk, Thomas Briscoe yoman, Robert Johnson clerk, . . . Bosgrave clerk, Christopher Tompson clerk, Ralph Sheringe clerk, and Henry Orton . . ., all of the parish of the church of St. Peter-ad-vincula within the Tower of London co. Midd.; with other persons, whose names have disappeared from the mutilated and decayed bill. G. D. R., 28 June, 23 Eliz.

26 MAY, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to any church, chapel, or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 26th May last past to the 27th of June then next following, against John Towneley gentleman, Thomas Croftes gentleman, Pollidore Morgan gentleman, James Braybrooke gentleman, John Byfflyte gentleman, Anthony Tyrrell clerk, Edward Russheton clerk, Gilbert Tytcheborne gentleman, John Comber yoman, John Gyfford gentleman, Humfrey Comberforde gentleman, Robert Dubdeale yoman, all of St. Margaret's parish in Westminster; Magdalen Heathe wife of Thomas Heathe of Fulham gentleman; and Elizabeth Johnson spinster, Edward Powell yoman, Lawrence Vaus clerk, John Cormorthe clerk, Richard Rosse clerk, Thomas Cotesmore clerk, William Feckenham *alias* Wyborne gentleman, of the parish of St. Margaret of Westminster; Malina Yate wife of John Yate of Stuffleilde co. Bark.; William Warrine baker, Jane Thompson spinster, William Carter yoman, Ambrose Edmondess gentleman, and John Pynshove gentleman, all of St. Margaret's parish, Westminster. G. D. R., 28 June, 23 Eliz.

31 MAY, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Ratclyff co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Hewes late of London gentleman, Thomas Hopton late of London gentleman, and Margaret Tayler late of London spinster, stole and carried off a woman's gown of black

grograyne trimmed with velvet, worth eight pounds, and a red woollen cloth petticoat worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Robert Fyts-Wylliams. G. D. R., 28 June, 23 Eliz.

. . . 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on a certain day that has disappeared from the decayed bill, Anne Lambe spinster, Margaret Ashe *alias* Cotton spinster servant of Humfrey Goslyn, . . . Daldersby spinster servant of John Smarte, Margaret Parsones spinster servant of James Gardener, and Elizabeth Burche spinster, all of the parish of the Stronde co. Midd., assembled riotously and assaulted Alice Goldewell widow, Sara Goldewell, Judeth Goldewell and Mary . . . , throwing them down and tearing and pulling out their hair. G. D. R., 28 June, 23 Eliz.

6 JUNE, 23 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Richard Knight of Wanborowe co. Wilts. gentleman, and Robert Knight of Balliol College (? Oxon); For their peaceful bearing to Richard Arkell, and their appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. D. R., 28 June, 23 Eliz.

26 JUNE, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Juliana Byrd wife of William Byrd of Harlington co. Midd. and John Reason of the same parish yoman, for not going to church in the said parish, nor to any other church, chapel or usual place of Common Prayer, from 26th June 23 Eliz. last past to the 1st of October then next following. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 23 Eliz.

26 JUNE, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Martin Trewynyarde of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields gentleman, dwelling in the said parish, for not going to church in the said parish, nor to any church, chapel or usual place of Common Prayer, from 26th June 23 Eliz. to the 1st of October then next following. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 23 Eliz.

26 JUNE, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Elizabeth Eden, wife of John Eden of Ruyslippe co. Midd. gentleman, Katherine Eden of the same parish spinster, and John Kytchen of the same parish gentleman and his wife Mary Kytchen, dwelling in said parish, for not going to church in the said parish, or any other usual place of Common Prayer, from 26th June 23 Eliz. to the 1st of October then next following. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 23 Eliz.

26 JUNE, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against John Bucke of Fulham co. Midd. yoman, for not going to church, chapel or any other place of Common Prayer from 26th June 23 Eliz. to the 1st of October then next following. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 23 Eliz.

27 JUNE, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from 27th June 23 Eliz. to 26th Sept. then next following, against John Towneley gentleman, James Braybrooke gentleman, Polidor Morgan gentleman, John Moore

gentleman, Edward Rushton clerk, Anthony Terrell clerk, Ambrose Edmondes gentleman, Humfrey Cumberford gentleman, Edward Pooley yoman, Laurence Vaus clerk, all of Westminster; Magdalen wife of Thomas Heath of Fulham co. Midd. gentleman, Jane Thompson spinster, Robert Dubdele yoman, John Cormorthe clerk, Thomas Cotesmore clerk, Richard Rosse clerk, William Feckenham *alias* Wyborne gentleman, and Ralph Collyer clerk, all dwelling at Westminster.—With memorandum at the foot of the bill that, at the Gaol Delivery of 20 December 24 Elizabeth, the aforesaid John Towneley, James Braybrooke, Polidor Morgan, John Moore, Humfrey Comberford, Edward Poole, Laurence Vaus, Jane Thompson, Robert Dubdeale (*sic*), John Cormorth, Thomas Cotesmore, William Feckenham *alias* Wyborne and Ralph Collyer, all and each acknowledged (*i.e.* confessed) the indictment; whereupon it was adjudged that each of them should have the punishment of the statute.—Also, with memorandum that afterwards, at Gaol Delivery of 19 January 24 Eliz., the aforesaid Magdalen, wife of Thomas Heathe, and Richard Rosse confessed the indictment, when it was adjudged that each of them “habeat penam statuti.” G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 23 Eliz.

28 JULY, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day, John Jones and John Brande, late of London yomen, stole “unum vestimentum muliebri vocat’ a woman’s cassocke of wollen clothe color’ rattes coler,” worth thirty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Henry Slatter. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 23 Eliz.

29 JULY, 23 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Clerkenwell co. Midd., on view of the body of Richard Brooke late of Clerkenwell gentleman, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 29 July 23 Eliz. between two and three p.m., a certain Richard Wilton, late of London yoman, was in the dwelling-house of Henry Best at St. John’s Streat co. Midd. yoman, having business to do with . . . of Islington carpenter; and That the said Richard Wilton on the said day walking by himself went from the said house towards Islington, when he was maliciously followed by the said Richard Brooke to Wood Close in the parish of Clerkenwell, lying between St. John’s Streat and Islington, on which the same Richard Brooke and Richard Wilton on a sudden drew their swords, each of them being armed with a sword in his right hand and a dagger in his left hand, and made an affray, in which Richard Wilton with his sword gave Richard Brooke in the fore part of his body a mortal blow, of which he died then and there; and That in this way Richard Wilton slew Richard Brooke. On his arraignment in the Justice Hall of the Old Bailey, “Ricus Wilton po se cul ca null petit librum legit vt clericus et deliberatur.”

17 [?] 18] AUGUST, 23 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Giles-without-Criplegate London co. Midd., on view of the body of William Marler an infant of eight years of age, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that William Marler aforesaid and a certain Helen Smythe of St. Giles's aforesaid spinster in the night of 17 August 23 Eliz., viz. between the twelfth and fourth hours, were lying in a certain bed in the house of the said Helen Smythe in the said parish, when with malice aforethought and the intention of murdering him she seized his neck with both her hands and shook and broke it, thereby killing and murdering the said William. At her arraignment Helen Smythe put herself 'Guilty' and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 23 Eliz.

24 AUGUST, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd., Ralph Collyer of Westminster clerk celebrated a mass. G. S. P. R., Easter, 24 Eliz.

4 SEPTEMBER, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Sowthemymes co. Midd. on the said day, Nicholas Wallewynn *alias* Poulter late of Shittlington co. Bedford yoman and Thomas Rolff late of Hitchin co. Hertford yoman, stole a grey horse worth five pounds of the goods and chattels of Stephen Danyell, and a brown horse worth forty-six shillings of the goods and chattels of Robert Woodewarde. Against Nicholas Wallwyn's name appears the memorandum "Po se cul ca null sus"; and over Thomas Rolff's name the note "respectuatur per cur'." G. D. R., 6 Oct., 23 Eliz.

13 SEPTEMBER, 23 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of Richard Baker of the parish of St. Giles-without-Criplegate, in the sum of twenty pounds, and of William Dice of the said parish yoman and Thomas Bradforde of the parish of Christe Church in the ward of Farington, London, citizen and butcher, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the said Richard Baker's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, "for that hee killed a sheepe of two yeres olde for a lame (*sic*) and so solde it to the disaye of the Quenes subjectes, and for killinge and sellinge victualls on the sabbathe dayes." G. D. R., 6 Oct., 23 Eliz.

19 SEPTEMBER, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any other usual place of Common Prayer, from 19th September last past to the 20th December then next following, against Elizabeth Eden wife of John Eden gentleman and . . . spinster, both of Ruyslippe; Thomas Norwoode of Great Stanmer co. Midd. gentleman; Anne Chapman wife of William Chapman of Heesse co. Midd. gentleman; Robert Brokesbie of Islington co. Midd. gentleman, Juliana Burde wife of William Burde of Harlington co. Midd. gentle-

man, and John Reason of the same last-named parish yoman. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 24 Eliz.

20 SEPTEMBER, 23 ELIZABETH.—Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Twicknam co. Midd., on view of the body of Mary Jarvys late of Twicknam spinster, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 18 August last past between four and five a.m., the said Mary Jarvys went from the house of her master, James Heron of Twicknam yoman, into a certain wood called Hamylandes Grove at Twicknam, whither came between the hours of nine and twelve on the night of the same day a certain John Culter, late of Twicknam laborer, who then and there with malice aforethought assaulted the said Mary with the intention of murdering her, and with “a meate kniffe” gave her in the throat a wound, of which she languished till she died on the 19th of the present September, and that in this way John Culter killed and murdered Mary Jarvys. “Et p’dcus Joh’es Culter po se cul ca null, Sus.” G. D. R., 6 Oct., 23 Eliz.

16 OCTOBER, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any other usual place of Common Prayer from 16th October last past to 19th November then next following, against John Townley, gentleman, James Braybrook . . . . , . . . . Morgan gentleman, Humfrey Comberford gentleman, Robert Dubdall yoman, Edward Poule . . . . , Laurence Vaus clerk, Ralph Collyer clerk, Richard Rosse clerk, . . . . Cotesmore clerk, John Cormorthe clerk, William Wiborne gentleman, all of Westminster co. Midd.; Magdalen Heath wife of Thomas Heath of Fulham gentleman; Jane Thompson of Westminster spinster, and Humfrey Eyton of the same city yoman. Bill much decayed. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 24 Eliz.

26 OCTOBER, 23 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to any church, chapel or other place of Common Prayer from 26th October last past to 18th January then next following, against Robert Brennynge of St. Martin’s-in-the-Fields, . . . . Cragge of the parish of St. Clement Danes gentleman, Henry Wighlie of the same parish; . . . . Morris gentleman and Alice Newton spinster of Knightsbridge within the parish of St. Margaret in Westminster; . . . . Pynchyn gentleman, Susanna wife of Anthony Spencer gentleman, and Edward Taylor bearebrewer, all three of St. Margaret’s parish in Westminster. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 24 Eliz.

. . . . 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harefeilde co. Midd. on some day no longer legible on the decayed bill, Edward Stafforde gentleman and . . . . Wylson yoman, both of Harefeilde, with divers other disturbers of the peace, armed with swords, bucklers, daggers and other arms, broke into the dwelling-house of George Ashebie esq., and assaulted his servants. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 24 Eliz.

24 DECEMBER, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to any church, chapel or usual place of Common Prayer, from the said day to 31st March then next following, against Juliana Burde wife of William Burde of Harlington co. Midd. gentleman, John Raysonne of the same parish yoman, Thomas Norwoode of Great Stanmer co. Midd. gentleman, Elizabeth Eden wife of John Eden of Ruislippe co. Midd. gentleman, Robert Broxbye of Islington co. Midd. gentleman, Richard Bayarde of Islington yoman and Thomas Suutherne of Islington cook. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

24 JANUARY, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hoxton co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Ashewell *alias* Ashebye late of London butcher stole seventeen white wethers and two black ewes, worth six pounds, of the goods and chattels of Fulke Oneslowe esq. at Hoxton aforesaid. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

5 FEBRUARY, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that Daniel Swarthe shoemaker, Francis Westbye yoman, Thomas Lambard cobbler, all three of Holborne, and Ralph Redborne of Cowelane in London curriar, on the said day broke into the house of Michael Blewenson in Turmil streete co. Midd., and assaulted Helen the said Michael's wife, so that her life was despaired of. G. S. P. R., Easter, 24 Eliz.

6 FEBRUARY, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to any church, chapel or other place of Common Prayer from the said day to 18th March then next following, against Edward Yatte gentleman, John Whytehede yoman and William Jeneson gentleman, all three of Westminster. Edward Yate and John Whythead both and each acknowledged the indictment; Wherefore it was adjudged that each of them should have the penalty of the statute.—Similar True Bill, for not going to any church, chapel or usual place of Common Prayer from 18th January last past to 16th March then next following, against John Townley gentleman, James Braybrooke gentleman, Pollidor Morgan gentleman, John Moore gentleman, Humfrey Comberford gentleman, Robert Dubdall yoman, Humfrey Eyton gentleman, Edward Polle yoman, Thomas Edwards gentleman, Ralph Collyer clerk, Laurence Vaus clerk, all of Westminster; and Magdalen Heathe wife of Thomas Heathe of Fulham co. Midd. gentleman; and Jane Thompson spinster, Antony Frogmorton gentleman, John Cormorth clerk, and Richard Rosse clerk, all of Westminster.—On the Bill, a memorandum that John Towneley, James Braybrooke, Pollidor Morgan, John More (*sic*), Humfrey Cumberford, Robert Dubdall, Humfrey Eiton, Edward Polle, Thomas Edwardes, Ralph Collyer, Laurence Vaus, Jane Thompson, Anthony Frogmorton (*sic*), John Cormorth, Thomas Cotesmore and Richard Rosse all and each acknowledged the indictment. “Ideo consideratum fuit quod quilibet eorum habeat penam statuti.” G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

22 FEBRUARY, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hoxton co. Midd. on the said day of February, John Smythe late of London yoman stole a linen “Cristeninge sheete” worth twenty shillings, a piece of cloth worth twenty shillings, a piece of linen cloth called “a biggen,” “et vnam manicam panni linei ad valenciam xs.,” of the goods and chattels of an unknown man. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ John Smythe asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered in accordance with the statute. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement Danes on the said day of February, Henry Roulton of the said parish yoman assaulted—“et ipsam Luciam rapuit, defloravit et carnaliter cognovit”—Lucy Baunardcarkey, an infant of eleven years of age.—Po se cul ca null: Sus. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

1 MARCH, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd. on the said day, Margery Wytton late of London spinster stole two pillowbers worth eight shillings and sixpence, two ells of fyne canvas worth four shillings and eight pence, half an ell of fine hollande worth sixteen pence, “unum mensale ad valenciam viiis., unum mantelium ad valenciam xxxd.,” with divers other articles, including “tria par’ vinculorum vocat’ frenche garters coloris russet et blacke ad valenciam vs. . . . unum par tibial’ vocat’ silke stockens coloris nigri ad valenciam xlvs., . . . duas libras et dimid’ bissi vocat’ fine granado silke colorum diversorum ad valenciam vi li. vs., of the goods and chattels &c. of Thomas Slye at St. Clement’s Danes.—Putting herself ‘Guilty,’ Margery Wytton pleaded pregnancy and was remanded before judgment. Afterward she and her accomplice in the felony (John Taylor late of London yoman, who also put himself ‘Guilty,’) were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

1 MARCH, 24 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Haynes esq. J.P., of Thomas Sleye of the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd. gentleman, Henry Townsend of the same parish arrowhead maker, and John Cautly of Islington victualler in , in the sum of forty pounds; For their appearance “att y<sup>e</sup> next Sessions of inquirye at Finnesburye,” to give evidence against Edward Tailor (*sic*) and Margerye Whytton. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

13 MARCH, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Richard Messure late of London yoman stole “a turkie carpett” worth five shillings, two pairs of linen sheets worth twenty shillings, two pillowbeares worth six shillings and eightpence, another pair of linen sheets worth five shillings, four diaper napkins worth six shillings, “quinque vela serici vocat’ curtyns of Cornacion taffeta ad valenciam vis.,” a black hat worth two shillings, a russet-coloured hat worth three shillings, a rapier and a parcel-gylte dagger worth



twenty-six shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Leeke esq. G. D. R., 27 April, 24 Eliz.

16 MARCH, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Nicholas Spenser of Westminster butcher, for killing, dressing and selling, without licence or warrant to do so, ten wethers, ten calves and ten lambs in the season of Lent. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

19 MARCH, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on the said day, Margaret Cooper late of London spinster stole a woman's woollen gown of "sheepes coler" worth thirty shillings, and divers pieces of linen cloth worth twenty shillings of the goods and chattels of Robert Okleson, and a red woollen petticoat of the goods and chattels of an unknown person, in the said Robert Okleson's keeping. *Po se cul de parvo latrocinio: Et jurat' appreciaverunt bona et catalla ad x*d*.*—*Ca null deliberetur solvend' feod'*. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

30 MARCH, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hampsted co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Croftes *alias* Crosley late of London gentleman, and Richard Bacon *alias* Gravett late of London yoman, stole and carried off a gold chain worth eighty pounds, of the goods and chattels of Henry, lord Clynton, then being in the custody of Robert Eldred, and eight shillings and sixpence in numbered money, of the goods and chattels of Robert Eldred at Hampsted. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

2 APRIL, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Pyckthatche in the parish of St. Giles-without-Creplegate co. Midd. Christofer Chappeman of Pyckthatche aforesaid yoman broke into James Hamon's dwelling-house (*domum mansionalem*), and with a stick, which he held in his hands, struck and beat Grace Hamon (James Hamon's wife) on her right arm. G. D. R., 9 April, 24 Eliz.

7 APRIL, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Thomas Fysssher, James Buckhurste, John Allen, John Dacklege, Richard Shellyber, Ralph Burges and Oliver Wade, all of Chauncerylane co. Midd. unmarried taylors, for exercising the art and faculty of a taylor at Chauncerylane against the form of the statute of 5 Eliz. in that case provided, on the aforesaid day and at divers times before and afterwards. G. S. P. R., Easter, 24 Eliz.

25 APRIL, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fulham co. Midd. on the said day, Francis Rowse smythe, Edward Brooke yoman, and James Buskyn yoman made a violent entry on a certain garden and orchard, being the freehold of William Sugden gentleman, and expelled a certain Ralph Beadlam therefrom and disseized the said William Sugden of the same, and still keep them out of the said garden and orchard. G. D. R., 27 April, 24 Eliz.

17 JULY, 24 ELIZABETH.—Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on view of the body of Thomas Williams, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the night of 16 July 24 Eliz. between the hours eleven and twelve, Jenkinns Hewes late of Westminster yoman and Robert Barecloughe late of Westminster yoman were walking in the highway called the Great Sanctuary, when there came to the same place Oliver Dorrington late of the same city yoman, and that they interchanged insulting words, Upon which Oliver Dorrington with a staff called a Coole Staffe, which he held in both his hands, advanced with the intention of wounding the same Jenkinns and Robert; and That Jenkinns Hewes, having in his right hand a sword and in his left hand a buckler, and Robert Barecloughe, having in his right hand a sword and in his left hand a dagger, were fighting and making an affray with Oliver Dorrington, when there came the aforesaid Thomas Williams into the same highway who, having a rapier in his right hand and a buckler in his left, joined in the fray, fighting on the side of Oliver Dorrington against Jenkinns Hewes and Robert Barecloughe, in which affray Jenkinns Hewes with his sword gave Thomas Williams, on the right part of his neck, a mortal blow of which he instantly died. On his arraignment Jenkinns Hewes put himself 'Not Guilty' of the felonious killing of Thomas Williams, but 'Guilty' of killing him in self-defence. G. D. R., 28 Aug., 24 Eliz.

23 JULY, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Seynt Martyns in the Fyld on the said day, Thomas Holcrofte gentleman, John Gryffyn yoman, Thomas Harrys taylor and John Stocks chaundler, broke into the house of Thomas Poulteney gentleman. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 24 Eliz.

3 AUGUST, 24 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harrys esq., one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of Thomas Holland of Whitecrosstreat co. Midd. silkweaver, and Jonas Blankes in the same street silkweaver, in the sum of ten pounds each, and Henry Bettes of the same street plasterer in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Henry Bettes's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, to answer "for keepinge companie all night with a lightwoman in Turmilstreat." G. D. R., 28 Aug., 24 Eliz."

18 AUGUST, 24 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of John Heale of the Inner Temple gentleman and John Hatch of the same Temple gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each: For the appearance of Nicholas Mayner of the parish of St. Sepulchre in London at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people, and more especially towards Thomas Rainsford of the parish of St. Andrew in High Holborn cook. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 24 Eliz.

19 AUGUST, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the

said day, John Bryce *alias* Pryce late of Westminster yoman, "*felonice rapuit defloravit et carnaliter cognovit*" Katherine Blenkinsoppe, an infant of twelve years of age. Po se cul ca null': Sus. G. D. R., 28 Aug., 24 Eliz.

25 AUGUST, 24 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Yonge esq. J.P., of John Harley of Shorditch baker, in the sum of twenty pounds, for his appearance "at the nexte Sessions of Inquirye or of the Peace" to be holden within the com. of Midd., "to geue testimonye and euidence of and concerning certen rebellious and trayterous speaches vttered and pronounced by John Malvill, Scottishman, and doe not then departe without licence of the Courte." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 24 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 24 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Barnard Randolph esq. J.P., of Margery Androwes of the parish of Clarkenwell co. Midd. widow, in the sum of forty pounds, and of Henry Stokes yoman and George Smythe taylor, both of the said parish, in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the said Margery's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, "for that shee is suspected to be a wytche and that shee hathe bewytched a man childe of Mychaell Blwinson (*sic*) of thage of three yeres olde or there aboutes, whoe is by reason of the sam ded as is said." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 24 Eliz.

25 SEPTEMBER, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from the said day to 1st January then next following, against Anthony Throgmorton gentleman, Humfrey Comberford gentleman, Edward Yate gentleman, John Moore gentleman, Edward Poule gentleman, all of Westminster; Malina wife of . . . Heathe of Fulham; and Jane Thompson, spinster, Laurence Vauxe clerk, Ralph Collyer clerk, John Cormorthe clerk, Thomas Cottesmore clerk and Richard Rosse clerk, all of Westminster.—At the bill's foot a memorandum that on 22 January 25 Eliz. Humfrey Comberford, Edward Yate, John Moore, Edward Poule, John Cormorthe and Richard Rosse all and each acknowledged the indictment before the Justices for delivering the gaol of Newgate, when it was adjudged that each of them should have the penalty of the statute.—Similar True Bill, for not going to church &c. from 25 September 24 Eliz. to 1st January then next following, against Juliana Burde wife of William Burde of Harlington co. Midd. gentleman, Anthony Briggam of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields gentleman, Ralph Noble of Haddley co. Midd. yoman, William Hudson of the same parish yoman, Sir John Arrundell of Clarkenwell co. Midd. knt., and his wife the Lady Agnes Sturton, and John Walker of Islington co. Midd. gentleman. G. D. R., 18 Jan., 25 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hogge Lane co.

Midd., Henry Browne of Hogge lane in Whitechappell dug and made "quandam foveam vocat' a sawe-pytt" to the nuisance and injury of the inhabitants of and passers through the said lane. G. S. P. R. Michaelmas, 24 Eliz.

2 OCTOBER, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against John Clackwell late of Herefeild co. Midd. yoman, for having on the said day fraudulently put to his own use eight of the twenty pullettes, which, in obedience to a certain writ from the same John Clackwell, one of the Chief Constables within the Hundred of Elthorne co. Midd., John Rodyng and John Hale constables of Ruyslippe co. Midd. took, provided and delivered to the said Chief Constable for the Queen's use. Endorsed with the names of the Jurors who found the bill, George Shelley being one of them. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

16 OCTOBER, 24 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harris esq. one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of Mathew Shakespeare (*sic*) of St. Johns Streat co. Midd. vitler and Miles Gelyon of the same street smith, in the sum of five pounds each, and of Hugh Vomer of the same street smyth, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Hugh Vomer's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people and especially to Robert Wattes. G. D. R., 4 October, 25 Eliz.

6 NOVEMBER, 24 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Edmonton co. Midd. on the said day, Owin Jones late of Edmonton aforesaid, clerk, assaulted Marcea Askewe, wife of Hugh Askewe, "et ibidem felonice rapuit defloravit et eam contra voluntatem suam carnaliter cognovit." Po se non cul nec rec. G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

23 DECEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH. — True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, John Wallyn *alias* Sheregrynder and Edward Ralien, both late of London yomen, entered the house of John Walley gentleman and stole therefrom a violet woollen-cloth gown trimmed with velvet worth seven pounds, a sylke chamblett kyrtell worth thirty-five shillings, a white satten dublett worth twenty shillings, a pair of yellow Jerse netherstockyns worth forty shillings, a Scottishe dagger worth ten shillings, and a piece of cloth called 'arris-hangins' worth eight pounds. Acknowledging the indictment, he was sentenced to be hung. Et postea (at G. D., 27 March, 26 Eliz.) po se cul ca null, asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered. G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

26 DECEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, between eleven and twelve p.m. in the night of the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, at the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd., Seintlowe Knyston gentleman, George Peters *alias* Anthony gentleman, and

Maurice Shyppewarde gentleman, all three of Clement's Inne, Richard Lighte of Lions Inn gentleman *alias* Richard Lighte of Newe Inne gentleman *alias* John Phokas late of London gentleman, John Perryman and Samuel Pynder of Lions Inne gentlemen, Hugh Dutton of London gentleman, Hugh Fownteyne of Lincolnes Inne gentleman, and John Dowle of Newe Ine gentleman, assembled themselves unlawfully and riotously and with swords, daggers, stones and brickbattes broke, assaulted, wounded and prostrated (*fregerunt, insultaverunt laceraverunt et prostraverunt*) the houses and windows of Humfrey Stowe and John Boode and divers other inhabitants of the said parish : And further that the aforesaid gentlemen have been and are common disturbers of the peace and "nightewakers" in the said parish and elsewhere in the county of Middlesex ; and further that on 28 December in the year aforesaid the said Richard Lighte *alias* John Phokas entered the church of St. Clement Danes at the time of divine prayer and there in loud voice sung out these English words (*decanavit hec Anglica verba*) "Falantido Dilly" divers time, and by so doing disturbed John Morecrofte clerk then and therr performing the divine prayers. G. D. R., 18 Jan., 25 Eliz.

2 JANUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, Sentlowe Knyston of Clementes Inne co. Midd. gentleman, George Peters *alias* Anthony of the same Inn gentleman, Maurice Shepperd of the same Inn gentleman, Richard Light late of Lions Inne gentleman *alias* Richard Light of Newe Inne gentleman *alias* John Phokas late of London gentleman, John Perryman of Lions Inne gentleman, Samuel Pynder of Lions Inne gentleman, Hugh Dutton of London gentleman, Hugh Fownteyne of Lincoln's Inne gentleman, and John Dowle of Newe Inne gentleman, with ten unknown disturbers of the peace, armed with swords bucklers daggers staves and forreste-billes broke into the dwelling-house of Thomas Morfett in the parish of St. Clement Danes, and there assaulted William Cooke, beating and wounding him so that his life was despaired of. G. D. R., 18 Jan., 25 Eliz.

3 JANUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said day to 17th March then next following, against Anthony Throgmorton gentleman, Edward Yate gentleman, John Moore gentleman, Humfrey Comberford gentleman, Edward Poule yoman, Thomas Edwards gentleman, all of Westminster ; Magdalen Heath wife of Thomas Heath of Fulham co. Midd. gentleman, Laurence Vause clerk, John Cormorthe clerk, Thomas Cottesmore clerk, Richard Rosse clerk, James Braybrooke gentleman and Humfrey Eyton gentleman, all of Westminster.—Also, similar True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any other usual place of Common Prayer, from 1st January 25 Eliz.

to 23 March then next following, against Sir John Arrundell of Clarkenwell co. Midd. knt. and his wife the Lady Agnes Sturton, and Juliana Burde wife of William Burde of Harlington co. Midd. gentleman. G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

3 JANUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Clarkenwell on the said day George Kyrbye late of London yoman stole and carried off, together with other leather gloves and goods of leather “*unam duode-nam chirothecarum corei vocat*’ a dozen of sweete gloves *ad valenciam vs.*” Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ George Kyrbye asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., 18 Jan., 25 Eliz.

19 JANUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of William Burde of Golding Lane whitebaker and Richard Pittes of Southwarke cowper, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Henry Howell of London citizen and merchant-taylor in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Henry Howell's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. D. R., 4 October, 25 Eliz.

— JANUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields on a day (not legible on the decayed and fragmentary parchment) on view of the body of Oliver Androwes late of London gentleman, who came to his death through a broil, that occurred between him and a certain Henry Sheppey on 19 January 25 Eliz. between four and five p.m. near the mansion-house of John Coppyn in the public street of the same parish, when with his rapier the said Henry Sheppey gave the said Oliver Androwes on the fore part of his body and the left part of his belly a mortal blow, of which he died on the 21st instant: With Verdict of jurors that the said Oliver Androwes, who drew his sword only in self-defence, was slain and murdered by Henry Sheppey. On his arraignment Henry Sheppey put himself ‘Guilty’ and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 25 Eliz.

1 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Robert Sutton late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict of jurors, that the said Robert Sutton after seven days' illness died in the gaol, on 31 Jan. 25 Eliz. by Divine Visitation, of the pestilent disease called the plague. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 25 Eliz.

1 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Ralph Blythe late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, after seven days' illness the said Ralph died in the gaol on 31 January of the said year by Divine Visitation, of the pestilent disease called ‘the plague.’ G. D. R., 15 Feb., 25 Eliz.

1 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of William Newborne late of London yoman : With Verdict of jurors that, after seven days of illness, the said William died in the gaol on 31st January last past, by Divine Visitation, of the pestilent disease called 'the plague.' G. D. R., 15 Feb., 25 Eliz.

1 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of William Hukens late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict of jurors that, after seven days of illness, the said William Hukens died in the gaol on 31st January of the said year, by Divine Visitation, of the pestilent disease called 'the plague.' G. D. R., 15 Feb., 25 Eliz.

2 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harrys, one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of Fernin Perrynall of Turmilstreat co. Midd. joiner and William Allyn of Westsmythfield gentleman in the sum of five pounds each, and of Sebastian Legar of St. Johns Street co. Midd. barbour-surgion ; For the said Sebastian Legar's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace.—At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that the said Sebastian Legar appeared, when he was adjudged to be whipt from St. Sepulchre's to St. John's Street,—a sentence subsequently commuted to a fine of twenty shillings for the use of the poor. G. D. R., 4 Oct. 25 Eliz.

13 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of John Dier, late of London yoman : With Verdict that, after two days of illness, the said John died in the gaol on the 12th instant, by Divine Visitation, of a certain infirmity called "the pining siknes." G. D. R., 15 Feb., 25 Eliz.

16 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Isleworth co. Midd. on view of the body of John Sherman late of the said parish yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 13th inst., between eleven and twelve p.m., the said John Sherman and a certain Mathew Pryce of the aforesaid parish, quarrelled in the house of Edward Justice of the same parish miller, when John Sherman with his fist gave Mathew Pryce a blow on his left ear, and then snatching up a candlestick showed a purpose of striking his adversary with it, whereupon the said Mathew drew his dagger, and with it gave the said John on the fore part of his body under the ribs a mortal wound, of which he died on the 15th inst., and thereby the said Mathew feloniously slew the said John. G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

20 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Holborn co. Midd. on the said day, Geoffrey Banning late of London laborer stole

a grey gelding worth five pounds six shillings and eight pence, of the goods and chattels of Anthony Whiteharte. Cognovit indicamentum : Sus. G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

23 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within the Gaol of Newgate, on view of the body of William Pero late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, after five days' illness, the said William Pero died in the gaol on the same day, by Divine Visitation, of a certain pestilent and pestiferous disease called 'the plague.' G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Milende co. Midd. on the said day, Olyver Adams late of London yoman stole a bay gelding, worth thirteen pounds, of the goods and chattels of Sir William FytzWilliams knt. G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

5 MARCH, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hoxton co. Midd. on the said day, Helen Rogers late of London spinster, stole a woman's gown "de durans coloris purple" worth twenty shillings, a kyrtell of tuffed mockadoe coloris red and blacke" worth ten shillings, "vnum ornamentum panni linei vocat' a drawn-worke gorgett" worth two shillings, "duo ornamenta vocat net worree gorgettes" worth twelve pence, a gold ring with a diamond set in it worth twenty shillings, with other things of the goods and chattels of Henry Campion gentleman. G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

5 MARCH, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Sowthemymys co. Midd. on view of the body of Roger Ludforde yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict of jurors, that Nicholas Martyn and Richard Turvey, both late of Southmymys yomen were, on the 3rd instant, between three and four p.m., playing with other persons at foote-ball in the field called Evanes Feild at Southmymys, when the said Roger Ludforde and a certain Simon Maltus of the said parish yoman came to the ground, and that Roger Ludforde cried out 'Cast hym over the hedge,' indicating that he meant Nicholas Martyn, who retorted 'Come thowe and do yt'; That thereupon Roger Ludforde ran towards the ball with the intention of kicking it, whereupon seeing his purpose Nicholas Marten "cum cubito dextri brachii sui" and Richard Turvey "cum cubito sinistri brachii sui" struck John Ludford on the fore part of his body under the breast, giving him a mortal blow and concussion, of which he died within a quarter of an hour; and that Nicholas and Richard in this manner feloniously slew the said John. G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

7 MARCH, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Stanwell co. Midd., on view of the body of Robert Smythwick late of the said parish yoman : With Verdict that, on the 4th instant between three and four p.m. the said Robert Smythewick was in the highway at



Rudesworthe *alias* Colbrockende in the said parish, together with Nicholas Bullman of the same parish yoman and George Brabyn of Colbrocke co. Bucks collermaker, when Nicholas Bullman and George Brabyn made an affray and fought together, the former being armed with a sword whilst George Brabyn fought with a cudgel; that during the affray Roger Tayler late of Colbrocke in the parish of Horton brewer came up, having in his right hand "a Bearing Bill," which Nicholas Bullman seized and took from him against his will; that on being thus disarmed Roger Tayler ran into a house near at hand, and brought therefrom "a Coole Staffe," and assailed Robert Smythewicke who had drawn his sword for self-preservation; and that in the affray which Roger Tayler forced on Robert Smythewicke, the former with the "Coole Staffe" gave the said Robert on the left part of his head a mortal blow, of which he died on the 6th inst.; and that, in so causing the said Robert's death, Roger Tayler slew and murdered him. On his arraignment Roger Tayler put himself 'Not Guilty' of murder, but 'Guilty' of killing in self-defence. The result does not appear. G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

12 MARCH, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smyth esq. J.P., of Clement Rigges of Islington inholder, in the sum of ten pounds; For the appearance, at the next General Session of the Peace, of John Phippes servant of Thomas Love of Leicester gentleman. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

21 MARCH, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in Newgate Gaol on view of the body of William Tyshere late of London a Frenchman, then and there lying dead: With Verdict of jurors that, after five days' illness, the said William Tishere died on the said day, by Divine Visitation, of a pestilent disease called "the plague." G. D. R., 15 April, 25 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, for not going to church, chapel or any other place of Common Prayer, from the said day to 30th September then next following, against Mary Morgan spinster, Henry Banister yoman, Laurence Gefford yoman, Robert Wynterborne yoman, Henry Ratclyff yoman, and Henry . . . yoman (servant of Lady Gerrard), all of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields; Juliana Burde wife of William Burde of Harlington co. Midd. gentleman, Philip Bassett of Islingeton gentleman, Sir John Arrundell of Clarkenwell co. Midd. knt., Erasmus Saunders of Clarkenwell gentleman, and Thomas Wilford of Clarkenwell gentleman. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 26 Eliz.

10 APRIL, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Wolley of Westminster gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds; whereby the said John Wolley bound himself to follow the indictment against John Wallyn *alias* Sheregrinder for

felony, at the next General Session of the Peace. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

10 APRIL, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Charinge Crosse in the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields on the said day, Tibald Gyllyott of the city of London taylor, stole “eight amber buttons with stalkes and headdes of goulde” worth eight shillings, “three Cypers garters” adorned with gold thread worth ten shillings, nine handkerchiefs worth nine shillings, “*unam cistulam de virgis operatis cum corio*” worth five shillings, and thirty-five pounds in numbered money, of the good chattels and moneys of John Stanhope esq. Tibald Gyllyott was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 26 Eliz.

11 APRIL, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any other usual place of Common Prayer, from the said day to the 15th May then next following, against Katherine Bellamy widow, Jerom Bellamy gentleman, Richard Bellamy gentleman, and . . . Wingefeilde *alias* Wynter gentleman, all of Harrowe-super-montem.—Also True Bill, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 18th May 25 Eliz. to the 18th August then next following, against James Braybrooke gentleman, Edward Yate gentleman, . . . Eyton gentleman, Humfrey Comberford gentleman, Edward Poule yoman, Thomas Edwardes gentleman, Laurence Vaus clerk, John Cormorthe clerk, and Thomas Cotesmore clerk, all of Westminster co. Midd.—At the foot of this second bill, a memorandum that, at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate of 20 January 26 Eliz. James Braybrooke, Edward Yate, John . . . , Humfrey Eyton, Humfrey Comberford, Edward Poule, and John Cormorthe “*cognoverunt et quilibet cognovit indicamentum predictum. Ideo consideratum fuit quod quilibet eorum habeat penam statuti.*” G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

15 APRIL, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken at The Castell in Seint Johnstreete co. Midd., of Roger Webbe of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields baker, and Richard Ives of Goldingelane co. Midd. taylor, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Stephen Stowell servant of the Lord Russell in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Stephen Stowell's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, to answer respecting suspicion of a felony. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

28 APRIL, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hackney, on view of the body of William Williams late of London gentleman, who came by his death in an affray between him and a certain John Rowland, both of them fighting with sword in right hand and buckier in left hand in the high way at the Bell at Smythfeilde on the 27th inst. : With Verdict of jurors that the said John Rowland

killed and murdered the said William Williams. Record decayed and fragmentary. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

30 APRIL, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harrys esq., one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of Ralph Bromage and Rowland Price, both servants of Sir John Parret knt., in the sum of five pounds each, and of James Gowlinge, also a servant of Sir James Parret knt., in the sum of ten pounds; For the appearance of the said James Gowlinge at the next General Session of the Peace in Middlesex, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people, and more especially towards Mathew Shakespere. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

4 JUNE, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Younge esq. J.P., of Robert Grene of the parish of St. Agnes within Aldersgate, London, citizen and draper, and John Griffine of the parish of St. Giles-without-Creplegate tailor, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Evan Price of St. Giles's aforesaid a servingman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Evan Price's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful conduct towards all people and especially towards Bettye Everett, the wife of John Everett. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

2 JULY, 25 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hackney co. Midd., on view of the body of Anne Haselton late of . . . : With Verdict that, on 12th of June 25 Eliz., Felicia Walden, late of Hackney aforesaid, widow, assaulted the said Anne Haselton and with a knife gave her "*in posteriorem partem corporis sui videlt' in sinistram clunem*" a mortal blow, from which she languished from the said 12th of June to the 30th of the same month, on which last-named day she died of the said blow. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

12 AUGUST, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Salomon Dominicus of Turmilstreet showmaker and Barnaby Newman of the same street chaundler, in the sum of ten pounds each, for the appearance, at the next General Session of the Peace, of Agnes Dominica wife of Salomon Dominicus aforesaid, and in the mean time for her peaceful bearing towards all people, and especially towards Ellen Bluenson, wife of Michael Bluenson. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

27 AUGUST, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Herefeilde co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Brudnell late of London yoman stole "*duas pecias auri cuniati vocat' soueraignes ad valenciam xxs.*," and four pieces of coined gold called Angelles worth forty shillings, and a piece of coined gold called a Frenche Crowne worth six shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Grenehill. Putting himself 'Guilty,'

Henry Brudnell was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

27 AUGUST, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shordich on the said day, William Broughton late of London coper (*sic*) stole a purpell woollen-cloth cloak worth twenty shillings, “vn’ thoracem panni lanei coloris nigri ad valenciam xs., vn’ par subligacul’ panni lanei coloris purpel ad valenciam vis. viii.℥., vn’ par tibialiu of worsted coloris watchside ad valenciam vs.,” together with other articles of clothing. and divers pieces of money, of the goods chattels and moneys of George Hayes.—At the foot of the bill a clerical memorandum that, at the Gaol Delivery of 4. Dec. 26 Eliz. William Broughton put himself ‘Guilty,’ asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered according to the form of the statute. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Powell surveyor of the Queen’s Ordnance in the Tower of London and Robert Pyne gentleman, Treasurer of Lions Inne, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of William Powell of Totnam Hyecrosse, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said William Powell’s appearance at the next General Session of the Peace of Middlesex, and in the mean time for his forbearance from keeping a tippling house without licence. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

1 SEPTEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Christopher Riche and Jerom Hawley esqs. and J.P., of Edward Augur yoman and Roger Hill shoemaker, both of Houneslowe co. Midd., in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the appearance, at the next General Session of the Peace, of Alice wife of John Godfrey of Houneslowe aforesaid bargeman, and in the mean time for her peaceful bearing towards all people. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

3 SEPTEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Andrew’s in Holborne co. Midd. on the said day, William Pendleton *alias* Penryngeton and Thomas Barnard, both late of London yomen, assaulted Henry Stone, he being in God’s and the Queen’s peace, and that William Pendleton with a sword gave the said Henry Stone on his right arm a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

10 SEPTEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Thomas Wentworth knt. Lord Wentworth J.P., of John Gurney of London baker and John Leedes of Redcliffe miller, in the sum of five pounds each, and of Ralph Thickins of Whitechappell baker, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Ralph’s appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

10 SEPTEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackeney co. Midd. on the said day, John Matterdey late of London yoman stole

a piece of linen cloth worth ten pence, of the goods and chattels of John Stanbridge. At the head of the bill, the clerical memorandum "Cognovit Indictamentum ca' null' flagelletur." G. D. R., 4 Oct., 25 Eliz.

12 SEPTEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Thomas Spanke of London in the sum of ten pounds, and of Lybias A'Lee in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of the said Lybias at the next Session of the Peace. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

15 SEPTEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, John Snowden late of London Yoman stole "a stone-horse" worth five pounds, five gold ringes worth five pounds, and a saten dublett worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Edward Dymock esq. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Snowden was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 26 Eliz.

17 SEPTEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P. of Robert Hardinge cutler and Chistopher Vincent draper, both of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields in the sum of ten pounds; For the appearance at the next Session of the Peace of Phill Phippes, wife of Edward Phippes. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

18 SEPTEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harrys one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of John Rowley of Greys Inne Lane yoman and Edward Dolman of the same lane vytteler, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of John Baker of St. John's Street co. Midd. weyver in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Baker's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, to answer "for kepyng a woman delivered with childe in his howse, and lettinge go the father." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 25 Eliz.

19 SEPTEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Ruyslippe co. Midd. on the said day, John Grevell and Edward Marden, both late of London yomen, stole thirty-nine wethers, with other sheep, of the goods and chattels of James Hunte; a white wether, of the goods and chattels of John Hunte; and a white wether of the goods and chattels of Richard Symes. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' both prisoners were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 26 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, for not going to church, chapel or any other usual place of Common Prayer, from the said day to 1st January then next following, against John Phillipes of Hamsted co. Midd. gentleman, William Lord Vauxe, George Vauxe gentleman son of the said Lord Vauxe, and William Hollys yoman, all three of Tottenham; Juliana Burd wife of William Burde of Harlington co.

Midd. gentleman, and John Rayson of the same parish yoman; and Barnard Brocas and his wife Anne, of Tottenham co. Midd. G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

7 NOVEMBER, 25 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Paddington co. Midd. on the night of the said day, Elizabeth Atkins late of London spynster broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of John Haynes esq., and took therefrom “*duo veru ferri vocat’ spittes*” worth two shillings, “*unum instrumentum ferri vocat’ a grediern*” worth two shillings, and “*unum parr’ follium vocat’ a paire of bellis*,” worth two shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said John Haynes. Putting herself ‘Not Guilty’ of the burglary, Elizabeth put herself and was found ‘Guilty’ of petty larceny; the things stolen being appraised by the jury at tenpence. G. D. R., 4 Dec., 26 Eliz.

26 NOVEMBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway of the Stronde at the parish of St Clement-Danes, Anthony Turner late of Westminster taylor, struck Edward Penniaunt gentleman with a sword, thereby slaying him. G. D. R., . . . Dec., 26 Eliz.

14 DECEMBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any other usual place of Common Prayer, from 14 Dec. 26 Elizabeth to 11th March then next following, against William Lord Vauxe, Henry Vauxe and George Vauxe esquires, sons of the said Lord Vauxe, William Hollys yoman, William Worseley, yoman, Jocosa Barlowe widow, all of Tottenham co. Midd.; Frances Robynson of Stepney co. Midd. widow; Juliana Burde wife of William Burde of Harlington co. Midd. gentleman, John Reason of Harlington aforesaid yoman; and Philip Bassett of Islington co. Midd. esq.—Also, similar True Bill, for not going to church &c., from 22 Dec. 26 Eliz. to 20th March then next following, against James Braybrooke gentleman, Edward Yate gentleman, Humfrey Cumberfold (*sic*) gentleman, John Moore gentleman, Humfrey Eytton gentleman, Edward Poule gentleman, and Thomas Edwardes yoman, all of Westminster. G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

14 DECEMBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any place of Common Prayer, from 14 December 26 Eliz. to 11 March then next following, against William Lord Vaux, Henry Vaux esq. and George Vaux esq. sons of the said Lord Vaux, William Hollys yoman, William Worseley yoman, Jocosa Barlowe widow, all of Tottenham co. Midd.; Frances Robynson of Stepney co. Midd. widow; Juliana Burde wife of William Burde of Harlington co. Midd. gentleman; John Reason of Harlington co. Midd. yoman; George Stanley and his wife Ethelreda Stanley, and William Holborne, all three of Chelsey co. Midd.; William Tyrwhet esq., and Philip Basset esq., both of Islington co. Midd.—Also, a similar true Bill, for

not going to church &c., from 27 December 26 Eliz. to 20 March then next following, against James Braybrooke gentleman, Edward Yatt gentleman, Humfrey Comberfold gentleman, John Moore gentleman, Humfrey Eytton gentleman, Edward Poule gentleman and Thomas Edwardes yoman, all late of Westminster. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

6 JANUARY, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the night of the said day, Thomas Payne late of London gentleman broke burglariously into the house of Richard Lucas and stole therefrom eighteen pounds in coined gold, forty shillings in numbered money, six gold rings worth four pounds, and a silver ring worth two shillings.—On the bill a memorandum that Thomas Payne was “extra prisonam.” G. D. R., . . . , 26 Eliz.

3 FEBRUARY, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harnesey co. Midd. on the said day, William Jones late of London yoman stole “unum par braccharum de . . . . vocat’ buffe hose ad valenciam xs.,” a silk doublet worth forty shillings, “unum par braccharum vocat’ a moccadoe hose ad valenciam ijs.” and a pair of taylor’s sheeres worth twelve pence, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Key. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

6 FEBRUARY, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, Elizabeth wife of John Bartell of the said parish yoman, otherwise styled Elizabeth Bartell of the same parish spinster, caused the death of Peter Cowell son of Ralph Cowell of the same parish, by practising upon him the devilish arts of witchcraft, from the said 6th of February to 1 March then next following, on which day the said Peter died of said Elizabeth’s diabolical inchauntementes.—Of Elizabeth a note at the head of the bill says “Po se non cul nec rec.” G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

8 FEBRUARY, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Robert Packe of Whitechappell whitebaker and John Jeffrey of St. Giles’s-without-Creplegate, London, dicemaker, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of John Potter of Whitechappell yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds: For the said John Potter’s appearance at the next Session of the Peace. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

—FEBRUARY, 26 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Enfelde co. Midd. on view of the body of George Cooke late of the said parish maltman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 19 February 26 Eliz. the said George Cooke and another maltman were unladying of malte at Battelbrydge co. Surrey (*sic*), when words of quarrel passed between the said George Cooke and a certain John Whytlynge of Southwarke co. Surrey laborer, whereupon John Whytlynge took up a

piece of wood, called "a pece of a syngle quarter," and with it gave the said George Cooke a mortal wound, of which he died on the 27th of the same month; and That the said John Whytlynge thus feloniously killed and slew the said George Cooke. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

27 FEBRUARY, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Stronde co. Midd. on the said day, John Bluther and John . . . , both late of London yomen, stole and carried away nine hundred pounds in coined gold, of the goods and chattels of Queen Elizabeth at the Stronde aforesaid. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

1 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before George Assheby esq. J.P., of Bonaventure Assheby of Westminster esq. and Roger Dove of Braintforde co. Midd. inholder, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Edward Stafforde gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Edward Stafforde's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

1 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, for being at Newington Greene co. Midd. on the said day and divers times before and afterwards a common disturber of the peace, against William Clarke clk. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Edward Ayre of the Middle Temple in London gentleman, and John Markham of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Walter Markham of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Walter Markham's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for co. Midd. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Robert Harrys one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of Edward Brooke of St. Johns Strete co. Midd. vytteler; For the said Edward Brooke's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, to answer "for lodgeinge suspected and masterles persons." G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

— MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Twicknam co. Midd. on view of the body of John Davys *alias* Phillippes ot the said parish yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict of jurors, That, on 4 March 26 Eliz. between six and seven p.m., after exchanging words of quarrel in the house of James Herne of the said parish yoman, the said John Davys and a certain William Cauldwell, also of Twicknam yoman, went forth to the Buttes at Twicknam and made an affray together, John Davys being armed with a beaked staff and William Cauldwell with sword and buckler, in which affray William Cauldwell with his said sword gave John Davys a mortal blow, of which he died in half-an-hour, and That in



this way William Cauldwell feloniously killed and slew John Davys. Of the proceedings at William Cauldwell's arraignment, a memorandum at the bill's foot says "*Et prefatus Johannes*" (*sic*, instead of William) "*Cauldwell po se cul ca null' petit librum Set respectuatur per discrecionem Curie.*" G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

7 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of John Rowles draper and Oliver Daveis musiteon, both of St. Andrew's parish in Holborn, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of John Wrighte of the same parish taylor, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Wrighte's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

— MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Bromeley co. Midd. on a certain day (no longer legible on the bill) of March 26 Eliz. Peter Moyses late of the said parish yoman said to Christopher Giffes these scandalous words of Her Majesty the present Queen, viz. 'The Quene is a rascall.' *Po se cul: habeat penam statuti.* G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

10 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P. of George Fabyan of St. Michael's parish in Cornwell (? Cornhill) London draper and Robert Statham of the parish of St. Savier's in Sowthworke salter, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the appearance of Alice Iles widow at the next General Session of the Peace. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

— MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Islington co. Midd. on view of the body of William Dawes late of the said parish . . . : With Verdict that, on 12 March 26 Eliz., the said William Dawes and a certain William Campnet late of London yomen were together in the highway at Islington when they quarrelled; That William Campnet with his right hand struck William Dawes in the face, whereupon William Dawes drew his dagger and rushed upon William Campnet, who forthwith drew his sword, and with it gave William Dawes a mortal blow of which he died within half-an-hour; and That in this way William Campnet feloniously killed and slew William Dawes. On his arraignment William Campnet put himself 'Not Guilty' of slaying feloniously, but 'Guilty' of killing in self-defence. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

21 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood S.L., Recorder of London and J.P. for co. Midd., of Edward Barker of London esq., in the sum of twenty pounds, and Alexander Brett of Whitstanton co. Somerset esq., in the sum of one hundred pounds; For the said Alexander's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

21 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hounslow Heath on

the said day, Henry Bodehouse clothworker, Robert Gryme yoman and Thomas Stapleton yoman, all three of Fletestrete in the parish of St. Dunstan-in-the-West, London, lay in ambush to assault and assaulted Richard Cockes, and robbed him of "a woman's gowne of changeable taffeta" worth five pounds, a woman's petycote worth three pounds, and "unum reticulum crinale de auro *anglice* a golden caull ad valenciam liiis." G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

24 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, on view of the body of a certain male infant : With Verdict of jurors, That Agnes Hughes late of Stebunheth spinster on 23 March 26 Eliz. gave birth to the same infant in a bedroom of the dwelling-house of Mathew Stafford of the said parish butcher, and forthwith killed and murdered it by suffocating it with both her hands. At her arraignment, Agnes Hughes put herself 'Not Guilty,' and was reprieved before judgment on account of the uncertainty of the evidence. G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

26 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood S.L. Recorder of London and J.P. for co. Midd., of Christopher Tilliard of Cowley co. Midd. and John Pickeringe of Harlington co. Midd. yoman, in the sum of forty pounds each, and of Ralph Tilliard of Cowley aforesaid yoman, in the sum of one hundred pounds ; For the said Ralph's appearance at the next Session of the Peace to be held at Fynesburie. G. D. R., 27 March, 26 Eliz.

27 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Margaret within Westminster, on view of the body of James Gulley late of the said city showemaker : With Verdict that, on the night of the said day between nine and ten p.m., the said James Gulley was in the highway called Tuthill Street in the said city near the house of John Preist brewer, when John Medley of the same city tallowchaundler came upon the said James Gulley with malice aforethought, and with a sword murdered the same James Gulley by giving him on the right side of his breast a mortal wound of which he died then and there instantly ; and further That William Peirce *alias* Peirsey late of the same city painter, and Thomas Hunter late of the same city brewer, knowing that he had perpetrated the said felony, received and comforted him. On his arraignment John Medley put himself 'Not Guilty' of murdering James Gulley with malice aforethought, but 'Guilty' of the felonious slaying of James Gulley called 'Chaunce Medley.' And the said John Medley, putting himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

30 MARCH, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd. on the said day, Stephen Good late of Lon-

don yoman broke into the chamber of Thomas Hopton gentleman at St. Clement's-Danes Inn, without the bars of the New Temple, and stole therefrom two "silver sawcers" worth fifty-three shillings and four pence, one "silver boole" worth twenty-six shillings and eight pence, and four "hoodes for clokes" worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Thomas Hopton. G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

11 APRIL, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill for not going to church, chapel or any other place of Common Prayer from 10 Oct. 25 Eliz. to 11 April then next following, against William Tyrwhytt of Islington co. Midd. esq. G. S. P. R., Easter, 26 Eliz.

13 APRIL, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the highway at Tottenham on the said day, Nicholas Kynge late of London yoman, assaulted Thomas Goltston, and robbed him of three shillings and four pence in numbered money. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Nicholas Kynge was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

15 APRIL, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Jonas Huggens stole secretly from the person of Anne Watson, wife of William Watson, "a wroughte fallinge band" worth three shillings, "a tagge of golde" worth two shillings and six pence, and three halfpence in numbered money. Po se non cul nec rec. G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

21 APRIL, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said 21 April William Sandersone, late of Fynchley co. Midd. clerk, in the parish church of Fynchley aforesaid, assaulted Francis Atton husbandman, and beat and wounded him so that his life was despaired of. G. D. R., 20 Jan., 27 Eliz.

24 APRIL, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Cowcrosse co. Midd. on the said day, Nicholas Grene late of London yoman stole "a blacke frice coate" worth eleven shillings and eight pence, of the goods and chattels of James Fraunces. Nicholas Greene put himself 'Guilty' of petty larciny, and, the jury appraising the coat at eleven pence, he was delivered "solvend. feod." G. D. R., 4 May, 26 Eliz.

26 APRIL, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Hugh Pewe late of London gentleman stole a jewel worth eighty pounds, a hatt bande of pearls worth thirty pounds, and five yards of white silk called damaske worth three pounds, of the goods and chattels of Walter Rawley esq. at Westminster co. Midd. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Hugh Pewe asked for the book, read like a clerk and was remanded by the Court. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

1 MAY, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, William Smithers *alias* Smithurse of the parish of St. Bottoles in the liberty of Charterhouse near London, from the said day to 1st July next following, "docuit

*anglice* kepte a common scole in capell' de Charterhowse predict " without the licence of the bishop or ordinary of the diocese. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

1 MAY, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jerom Hawley esq. J.P., of Thomas Clynton (one of the servants of the Bishop of Gloucester) in the sum of ten pounds, and William Brookes of the city of Gloucester yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said William's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for Midd.—Also, the Recognizances, taken before the same Justice of the Peace on the same day, of the same William Brookes, in the sum of ten pounds, and the same Thomas Clynton, in twenty pounds, for the said Thomas's appearance at the same next Session of the Peace. They both appeared and were committed to Newgate. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

6 JUNE, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harrys one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of Martyn Parker of Newgate Market draper and William Crotch of Wellough co. Somersett gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds ; For the said Thomas Payne's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for co. Midd. G. D. R., . . . . 26 Eliz.

16 JUNE, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harrys one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of Nicholas Kelley of Turmyll-Strete co. Midd., . . . . and Henry Bradshawe of Holborn Conduytte 'London ale brewer,' in the sum of twenty pounds each ; For the appearance, at the next Gaol Delivery, of Anne Kelley wife of the said Nicholas. G. D. R., . . . . 26 Eliz.

23 JUNE, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 23 June 26 Eliz. to 28 September then next following, against Barnard Brockas of Ickenham co. Midd. gentleman, and Juliana wife of William Birde of Harlington co. Midd. gentleman, John Reason of Harlington yoman, William Lord Vaux of Hackney, George Vaux son of the aforesaid William Lord Vaux of the same parish gentleman, Robert Hughes of Uxbridge gentleman, and William Cooper of the parish of St. Clement Danes taylor.—Similar True Bill for not going to church from 25 March 26 Eliz. to 30 Sept. then next following, against Thomas Walwyn of the parish of St. Giles in the Fields gentleman.—Similar True Bill for not going to church &c., from 26 April 26 Eliz. to 30 Sept. then next following, against John Carrell of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. gentleman.—Similar True Bill for not going to church &c. from 19 July 26 Eliz. to 16 August then next following, against Richard and John Wyteman, both of Westminster yomen.—Similar True Bill for not going to church &c. from 17 May 26 Eliz. to 16 August then next following, against James Braybrooke gentleman, John Moore gentleman, Edward Yatt gentleman,

Humfrey Comberford gentleman, John Hewes yoman, Humfrey Eytton gentleman, Thomas Edwardes yoman, and Owin Fletcher yoman, all of Westminster. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

23 JUNE, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harrys one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of Robert Wilkes of Islington beare-bruer and Adam Middleham of Greys Inne co. Midd. gentleman and Joseph Dixson of Fleetestreate notary, in the sum of forty pounds each, and Leonard Jake servant of the aforesaid Robert Wilkes, in the sum of one hundred pounds; For the said Leonard Jake's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., . . . . 26 Eliz.

25 JUNE, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before C. Rithe J.P., of John Drewe of Howneslowe co. Midd., in the sum of twenty pounds; whereby the said John Drewe bound himself to appear at the next Gaol Delivery, to give evidence against "Care Sybill concerning the stealing of a silver cup." G. D. R., . . . . 26 Eliz.

12 JULY, 26 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Shortditch co. Midd. on view of the body of Elizabeth Arnold late of the said parish spynster: With Verdict of Jurors, that she died by Divine Visitation of 'the Tissicke' on 11 July 26 Elizabeth. G. D. R., 20 Jan., 27 Eliz.

14 JULY, 26 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Thistleworthe co. Midd. on view of the body of John Felles of the said parish yoman: With Verdict of Jurors, that on 7 July 26 Eliz. between five and six a.m. the said John Felles and a certain George Ogden of the same parish yoman were together in God's and the Queen's peace in a certain bedroom within the house of William Davys at Thistleworthe taylor, when the two played together, pretending sportively to make an affray and fight one another, John Felles having in his right hand a staff worth a halfpenny and George Ogden having in his right hand a sword, still in the scabbard as he had no thought to do his playmate harm; and that, whilst they were so playing, John Felles ran in upon George Ogden and received in his left eye the point of the sword still in its scabbard, and so by mischance received a wound, of which he died on the 13th inst.; and that in this manner John Felles came to his death by mischance. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

20 JULY, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Bunnys of Popler co. Midd. fisherman, and . . . . West of the same parish . . . ., in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of John Garrett of Popler yoman, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said John Garrett's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all persons, and especially towards Gilbert Dethicke *alias* Garter Knight

(*erga* Gilbertum Dethicke *alias* Garter Militem). G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

21 JULY, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of July, and at divers times before and afterwards, William Martin of Twickenham co. Midd. laborer, and Agnes Tanner spinster, daughter of the said William's wife, committed the detestable crime of incest. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

1 AUGUST, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Richard Pett of Deptford co. Kent gentleman and William Daborne of the parish of St. Benedict, Gracechurch, London, letherseller, in the sum of forty pounds each, and of Henry Dudley of London gentleman, in the sum of sixty pounds; For the said Henry Dudley's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful behaviour to all people and especially to Mary Moseley. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

1 AUGUST, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Richard Rodes of London wax-chaundler and Christopher Crofte of St. Martin's parish in Leicester gentleman, and Simon Eaton of Gadsbye co. Leicester, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of John Milles of Cambridge joyner, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Milles's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for co. Midd. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

22 AUGUST, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P. of Francis Rockley of Staple Inn co. Midd. gentleman, and John Savell of Newe Inn gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and Francis Clapham of London gentlemen, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Francis Clapham's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

25 AUGUST, 26 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harrys, one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd. and Christopher Rith esq. J.P., of Randolph Bell of Fanchurch Street, London, marchaunt-taylour, in the sum of ten pounds, and Roger Bell of the Ile of Wyte taylour, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Roger's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. Memorandum at the bill's foot:—"for lewd lyvinge."—Also the Recognizances, taken before the same Justices of the Peace on the same day, of Simon Webbe of the parish of Little Alhallows, London, cloth-worker, and William Wetherall of the same parish draper, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Elizabeth Durrant of the same parish spynster, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Elizabeth's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. At the bill's foot, the same memorandum:—"for lewd lyvinge." G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

28 AUGUST, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hounslowe co. Midd. on the said day, James Berry late of London yoman stole “a dublett of peache collar satten” worth ten shillings, “unum par’ bracciarum de cloth of gold” worth ten shillings, a woollen-cloth cloak of a lighte coulour worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Henry Talbet esq. at Hounslowe. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

29 AUGUST, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Tower of London on the said day, George Pulham late of London yoman stole “a bason and an ewer of silver” worth twenty pounds, a cup called “a bolle of silver” worth four pounds, six silver spoons worth forty shillings, a “seawater greene” woollen-cloth cloak worth twenty shillings, and “an arminge swoorde” worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Sir William Gorge knt. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

3 SEPTEMBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shorditch on the said day, Henry Edmondes late of Shorditch yoman, stole twenty-six shillings in numbered money, of the moneys of Ralph Clackwell. Reprieved because he was sick, Henry Edmondes was put on trial at the Gaol Delivery of 2 December 27 Eliz., when “po se non cul nec rec.” G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

13 SEPTEMBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on view of the body of Robert Bisshope late of Westminster yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 12 Sept. 26 Eliz. between five and six p.m., the said Robert Bisshope and a certain Walter Chamberlyn late of London yoman were together in the highway called The Broad Sanctuarie at Westminster, when after an interchange of hostile words they then and there drew forth their swords and daggers, and in the same common street made an affray, in which affray Walter Chamberlyn with his sword gave the said Robert Bisshope in the left side of his belly a mortal blow, of which he died, and That in this manner Walter Chamberlyn slew and killed Robert Bisshope. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

17 SEPTEMBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Adams late of London yoman wrote letters to Cuthbert Perrie of the said parish that, unless he should give the sum of three pounds for a certain mark (metam vocat’ Creplegate . . . in Fynnesberrie) on 18 September of the said year, he (Richard) would cause the said Cuthbert's barn to be burnt and consumed with fire. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ Richard Adams was sentenced to be whipt through the city of London. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

24 SEPTEMBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Holborn co. Midd. on the said day, John Corbet and Richard Lucas, both late of London yomen, stole two lawne bandes worth ten shillings and a “cambricke” band worth five shillings, of the goods and chattels of Zacharias Jones.

Both thieves acknowledged the indictment ; John Corbet was sentenced to be hung, whilst Richard Lucas was reprieved before judgment.—Also against the same two felons a True Bill for burglary committed on the house of Martin Smythe of Higheholborne gentleman, on the night of 27 Sept. 26 Eliz.—G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

24 SEPTEMBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Grayes Inne co. Midd. about eleven p.m. on the night of the said day, William Crosse and John Thorpe, both late of London yomen, feloniously broke into the dwelling-house of Charles Metham gentleman (William Devys the said Charles Metham's servant being then in the said house), with the intention of despoiling the said Charles Metham of his goods and chattels. William Crosse put himself 'Not Guilty' of the felony, but "cul de fraccione et intracione cubiculi," and was remanded for other felonies with which he was charged. John Thorpe, also putting himself 'Not Guilty' of the felony but guilty of the breaking into and entrance, was sentenced to be whipt in Grays Inne Lane. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

25 SEPTEMBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Mary Matfellow *alias* Whitechappell on view of the body of a male infant, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 24th instant in a bedchamber, within the house of Cornelius Peterson of the said parish shoemaker, Martha Godfrey of the said parish spynster being in bed gave birth to the same male infant, and forthwith at the instigation of the devil assaulting it with a meat-knife gave it on the fore part of its body a mortal wound of which it instantly died, and that Martha thus slew and murdered the said male infant. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against John Noble of Westminster yoman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 1 October 26 Eliz. to 10 November then next following.—Similar True Bill, in the same roll, against James Braybrooke gentleman, John Moore gentleman, Humfrey Comberford gentleman, John Hewes gentleman, Owyn Fletcher yoman, Humfrey Ettone gentleman, Thomas Edwardes chaundeler, Edward Yatt gentleman, Richard Johnstone yoman, John Wyteman yoman, all of Westminster, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, from 20 August 26 Eliz. to 31 October then next following. G. D. R., 20 Jan., 27 Eliz.

. . . . 26 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that Walter Hinxman of St. Johns Strete co. Midd. taylor, appointed one of the collectors for the poor of St. Johns Strete for an entire year from 25 April 25 Eliz., at divers times during his year of office and by colour of his said office took unjustly seven pence of William Atkynson and seven pence of John Bostocke and other moneys of many other inhabitants of the same street for the



use of the poor and converted them to his own use. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 26 Eliz.

5 DECEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of December, at Kentishetowne, Thomas Sherlocke late of Kentishetowne co. Midd. clerk, *alias* Thomas Towthedrawer of the same place clerk, voluntarily said, used and celebrated a certain private mass, against the form of a certain statute of 1 Elizabeth, and against the said Queen's crown and dignity; and that at the time of the said celebration, Katherine Bellamy late of Kentishtowne was present, and aiding and abetting the said Thomas Sherlock *alias* Toothdrawer. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

5 DECEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of December, Henry Hudnoll junior of Northchurch co. Hertford yoman, entered the house of Richard Evered at Mosham's Ende in Stanes co. Midd., and stole therefrom a purse imbrodered with gold worth eight shillings and a silver spoon worth seven shillings.—On the bill a memorandum that, at the next Gaol Delivery of 26 April 27 Eliz., the said Henry Hudnoll put himself 'Not Guilty' (po se non cul nec rec). G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

15 DECEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of Hackney, on view of the body of Thomas Altam late of London clothier, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 11th instant, the said Thomas was riding on a gelding to Waltam Stowe to do business with Robert Hodgkinson of Waltam Stowe scrivener, and was so riding in the high-way in the parish of Hackney, between nine and ten a.m., beside a certain rivulet called 'the Water of Ley,' near the 'lowbridge,' when the gelding stumbled and threw him into the river, so that he then and there died by mischance of drowning. G. D. R., 20 Jan., 27 Eliz.

31 DECEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on view of the body of John Stile late of the said city gentleman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 28th inst. between the hours three and four p.m., the said John Stile and a certain William Glasier, late of the same city yoman, after parleying with one another in a common street called 'Longeditche' of the said city, made an affray with one another, each of them fighting with sword and dagger, in which affray William Glasier with his sword gave John Stile on his left fore-leg a mortal wound of which he died on the last day of the said month; and that, in so causing John Stile's death, William Glasier slew and killed him feloniously. G. D. R., 19 April, 30 Eliz.

3 JANUARY, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Richard Assheley

late of London yoman : With Verdict that the said Richard died in the said gaol of a certain infirmity called 'the impostume of the stomach.' G. D. R., 20 Jan., 27 Eliz.

7 JANUARY, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in Newgate Gaol on 7 January 27 Eliz., on view of the body of Edward Cuffin, late of London yoman : With Verdict that the said Edward Cuffin, being a prisoner of the said gaol, died there by Divine Visitation of "the burning fever." G. D. R., 20 Jan., 27 Eliz.

8 JANUARY, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said 8th of Jan., Christofer Calvert late of London yoman, stole a carkas of mutton worth five shillings, "et quandam peciam sepi vocat' a tallowe" worth twelve pence, of the goods and chattels of John Warderne at Eastesmythefielde. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Christofer Calvert asked for the book ; when it was objected that he was a clerk who had been convicted in the county of Bedford of a felony done there ; to which he replied he was not the man so convicted ; but by the oath of jurors it was found that he was the same man. G. D. R., 20 Jan., 27 Eliz.

12 JANUARY, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, on view of the body of Richard Awdyence, late of Woxbridge co. Midd. yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Richard Awdyence died immediately of a wound, given him in the fore-part of his body, by the sword of Thomas Smythe one of the yomen of the Queen's Chamber, in a fray which they fought with one another, on the 11th of the present month in the high-way of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, each of them fighting with sword and buckler ; and that in this way Thomas Smythe feloniously killed and slew Richard Awdyence. G. D. R., 20 Jan., 27 Eliz.

6 FEBRUARY, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Thomas Heath of St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. gentleman and Clement Smythe of the same parish gentleman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 6th of February to the 11th of March next following.—Similar True Bill in the same roll against William Turrett of Islington co. Midd. esq. for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, from 11 January 27 Eliz. to the 11th of March next following.—Similar True Bill in the same roll, against Elizabeth Jarrett and Jocosa Jarrett of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields spinsters ; Sir John Arrundell knt. and Erasmus Saunders gentleman and Richard Owyn gentleman, all three of Clarkenwell co. Midd. ; Juliana Burde, wife of William Burde of Harlington co. Midd. gentleman, and John Reason of the same parish yoman, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer from 11 December 27 Eliz. to the 11th of March then next following.—Also, similar True Bill, in the same roll, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer

from 20 November 27 Eliz. to the 2nd of February then next following, against James Braybrooke gentleman, Humfrey Comberford gentleman, Edward Yate gentleman, John More gentleman, John Hewes clerk, Thomas Edwardes chaundler, Richard Johnsonn yoman, Owen Fletcher yoman, and John Noble yoman, all of Westminster co. Midd. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

18 FEBRUARY, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood S.L., Recorder of London and J.P. for co. Midd., of Robert Bradley of the parish of St. Giles-without-Cripplegate 'beare-clarke,' and Thomas Thorne of the same parish butcher, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Thomas Norton of the same parish baker, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Thomas's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, and for his peaceful bearing in the mean time to all persons and more especially to Giles Hodgson vintner of London. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

19 FEBRUARY, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of February, Joan, wife of James Barringer of Harroweelde co. Midd. laborer, *alias* Joan Barringer of Harrowe aforesaid spinster, practised the detestable arts of witchcraft on and against Rose Edlyn daughter of Richard Edlyn of the said parish, with the intention of murdering the same Rose, who languished from the effects of the said diabolical practice till she died thereof on the 17th of March then next following. Putting herself 'Not Guilty,' Joan Barringer persisted in her plea. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of February, Richard Morfytt cook and John Deeping *alias* Oliver tayler, both late of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields and Anthony Guye of Hollowaye co. Midd. yoman, and William Bradstocke late of Howneslowe co. Midd. yoman, entered the dwelling-house of Christofer Haywarde clerk, in St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and stole therefrom a dark woollen cloak worth forty shillings, eight rings of gold worth ten pounds, forty-eight pieces of coined gold called "rialles and soueraignes" worth twenty-four pounds, and twenty-four pounds in numbered money, of the goods and chattels of the said Christopher Haywarde. — With memorandum that, at the Gaol Delivery of 26 April (*sic*) 27 Eliz. John Deepinge *alias* Olyver put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read it like a clerk and was remanded that he might make satisfaction for the things stolen; and that Anthony Guye put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, could not read and was hung. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

1 MARCH, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, for not going to church, chapel or any place of Common Prayer, from 1 March 27 Eliz. to 31 May then next following, against James Braybrooke gentleman, Humfrey Comberford gentleman, Edward Yate gentleman, John Hewes

clerk, Thomas Edwards . . . . , Owin Fletcher yoman, and Richard Johnson yoman.—Also, similar True Bill, for not attending church &c. from 25 March 27 Eliz, to 24 June then next following, against William Tyrwhytt of Islington esq., Sir John Arrundell of Clarkenwell knt., Erasmus Saunders of Clarkenwell gentleman; and William Lord Vauxe, Henry Vauxe esq., George Vauxe gentleman, Margaret Champneys spynster, all four of Hackney; Edward . . . . esq., William Cowper taylor, his wife Katherine Cowper, and Thomas Heathe gentleman, all four of St. Clement's Danes; Juliana Burde wife of William Burde gent. and John Reason yoman, all three of Harlington co. Midd. G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

6 MARCH, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd., on the night of the said day, John Deepinge *alias* Olyver late of London yoman, broke into the church of the said parish, and stole therefrom eight bumbards called calyvers worth four pounds, a buff jerkyn worth ten shillings, two swords and two daggers worth twenty shillings, a piece of iron and steel called a head-peece worth two shillings, three instruments called "flaskes and tucheboxes" worth two shillings; of the goods and chattels of the parishioners of the said parish. At the bill's head a memorandum, that John Deepinge put himself 'Guilty,' and was exonerated "by benefit of clergy, allowed to him after this felony for another felony."—This felon's action in respect to the other felony, for which he had benefit of clergy, appears on a parchment certifying how he pleaded the benefit of clergy granted to him at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate, held on 31 March (*sic*) 27 Eliz., for the felony of breaking (on 28 February 27 Eliz.) into the house of Christopher Haywarde clerk at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and stealing therefrom a woollen cloak worth forty shillings, eight gold rings worth ten pounds, and forty-eight pounds in money. Indicted for this felony, at the Sessions of the Peace held at the Castell in Saint John's Streete on 31 March 27 Eliz., he appeared on the same day at the Old Bailey before the Justices for delivering the Gaol of Newgate, and declaring himself 'Not Guilty,' put himself on the country. Found 'Guilty' by a jury, he pleaded his clergy, and on reading the book was burnt on the left hand and delivered. These facts he pleaded in bar of punishment for the felony done on 6 March 27 Eliz.; on which it was adjudged by the Justices for the Gaol Delivery of 26 May 27 Elizabeth "quod prefatus Johannes Deepinge eat inde sine die." Thus the benefit of clergy granted for the felony done on 28th Feb. operated in the ensuing May so as to acquit him of the felony done on 6th March.—For the conflict of the date 31st March of this record with the date 26th April in the entry on p. 157, the present Editor is not accountable. G. D. R., 26 May, 27 Eliz.

10 MARCH, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Stephen Prentice, late a prisoner in the gaol of Newgate: With Verdict that the said Stephen languished for three weeks of an infirmity, called the 'pining sicknes,' and died thereof on the 9th of the present month. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

10 MARCH, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, that Margery Parker, late of London spynter, stole a leather purse worth . . . , a piece of coined gold worth "half a sovereign," and five pounds and ten shillings in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of William Newse of Shorediche. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

18 MARCH, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Johns Street, in the parish of Clerkenwell co. Midd., on view of the body of John Craggen late of the said street yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the aforesaid John Craggen and a certain Robert Marshe, late of St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. smyth, were together between one and two o'clock p.m. on 17 February 27 Elizabeth, in St. John's Street co. Midd. and near the dwelling-house of a certain Mathew Shaxper of the said street yoman ("juxta domum mansionalem cujusdam Mathei Shaxper de St. John's Street predict. yoman"); And that the aforesaid John Craggen and Robert Marshe went from the aforesaid street to a certain field called Woodes Close in the parish of Clerkenwell with the intention of fighting; And that after coming to the said field at the said time, the said John Craggen and Robert Marshe drew forth their swords and daggers and made an affray, in which the said Robert Marshe with his sword gave the said John Craggen on the fore part of his head a mortal wound, of which he languished from the same 17th of February to the 17th of March, when he died thereof; and that in this way the said Robert murdered the said John. With memorandum, at the bill's foot, that the said Robert on his trial put himself 'Not Guilty' of slaying feloniously with malice aforethought, but 'Guilty' of killing the said John in Chance-Medley; and that he was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

28 MARCH, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Jerom Hawley esq. J.P., of Richard Edlyn of Parke Gate Hatchende in the parish of Harrowe co. Midd., in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Richard's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, to give evidence against Joan Barringer, suspected of a felony. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

30 MARCH, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Giles Simpson in the parish of St. Mary Wollner goldsmith, in the sum of forty pounds; For the appearance of the

said Giles and of his apprentice Maurice St. John, at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 31 March, 27 Eliz.

15 APRIL, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Clarkenwell co. Midd., Edward Browne late of London yoman stole a silver cup, worth thirty-five shillings, of the goods and chattels of Barnabas Newman. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Edward Browne asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered in accordance with the statute. G. D. R., 26 May, 27 Eliz.

17 MAY, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Giles-without-Cripplegate London co. Midd. on view of the body of Richard Blisse late of the said parish yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict of jurors, that the said Richard Blisse, a certain Leonard Underhill late of the same parish yoman, and Ralph Nashe of Watton co. Hertford yoman, on 24 March 27 Eliz. between ten and eleven p.m., were in the highway of St. Giles's aforesaid near the dwelling-house of a certain Geoffrey Leveret, when Richard Blisse and Ralph Nashe quarrelled and fought together, Ralph Nashe being armed with "a bearinge bille" and Richard Blisse being armed with "a pyked staffe"; And That in the affray Ralph Nashe with his said bearinge-bille gave Richard Blisse under the left side of his breast a mortal wound, of which he died on 17 May next following; and that Leonard Underhill was present at the said affray aiding and encouraging the said Ralph Nashe; and that in this way Ralph Nashe and Leonard Underhill killed and slew the said Richard Blisse. G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

24 MAY, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewoode S.L., Recorder of London and J.P. for co. Midd., of Anthony Babington of Dethick co. Derby esq. and Henry Marshe of London letherseller, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and George Vauxe of Harredon co. Northampton esq. in the sum of forty pounds; For the said George Vauxe's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 27 Eliz.

25 MAY, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Mary at the Savoy at the Stronde co. Midd., Lawrence Medoppe *alias* Grymshawe, late of London yoman, stole two hundred pounds in coined gold, of the goods chattels and moneys of Edward Abarrow esq.—Also, True Bill against the same Lawrence Medoppe *alias* Grymshawe for stealing on the same day ninety-three pounds in coined gold, of the goods and chattels of the same Edward Abarrow esq., at the parish of St. Mary of the Savoye aforesaid: With record of proceedings (ending in the prisoner's acquittal), from which it appears that the said Edward Abarrow esq. put the same two hundred and ninety-three pounds of coined gold, being in a certain leather purse, upon a table in his bed-

room in the aforesaid parish, and told John Barrowe gentleman to take the same purse and money to Westminster; and That on this, Laurence Meddoppe *alias* Grymshawe, being servant of the said Edward, took the same purse and money, to carry it to Westminster with the said Edward (*sic*) Abarrowe, and on the way was rebuked by the said Edward Abarrowe for carrying it carelessly in these words, "Yf thowe carrye this money so losely one or other maye snatche yt from the and ronne awaye withe yt;" and that after these words the said Edward (*sic*) Abarrowe told the said Laurence to carry the said purse and money to Westminster; after which order (according to the prosecution) Lawrence Medoppe *alias* Grymshawe made off with the money, with the intention of defrauding his master of it and converting it to his own use.—The perplexity of this story is obviously due to the carelessness of the draughtsman of the record, who manifestly wrote by mistake Edward for John in the two places of the record, noted *sic*. The servant was accompanying John Abarrowe *alias* Barrowe when he was reprov'd for carrying the money carelessly, and it was John who reprov'd him. That he was acquitted of felonious purpose appears from the fact that, at the next ensuing Gaol Delivery (1 Oct. 27 Eliz.) it was decreed that "eat inde sine die." G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

27 MAY, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewoode S.L., Recorder of London and J.P. for co. Midd. of Thomas Payne haberdasher and Robert Brigges blacksmith, both of the parish of St. Andrew-in-the-Wardrobe, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of John Chambers of Seint Jones Strete co. Midd. merchaunt-taylor in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of the said John Chambers and his wife Helen at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

2 JUNE, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Nicholas Franke, servant of Henry Sacheverell of London citizen and vintner, in the sum of ten pounds; For his appearance at the next Session for co. Midd., to give evidence against Thomas Warner. G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

4 JUNE, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Christopher Corye of the parish of St. Vedast in Fosterlane London scrivener, in the sum of forty pounds; For the appearance of the said Christopher and also of William Wingfield of the parish "Sancti Alphegi" London carpenter, at the next Session of the Peace. G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

10 JUNE, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Thomas Shelley of Lowton co. Essex yoman, Timothy Fieldinge of the parish of Aldermar . . . London yoman, Ralph Wardrobe of the parish of St. Mary Botulph London

haberdasher, and John Amis of Brastede co. Kent yoman in the sum of forty pounds each, and of Christopher Amis of Popler co. Midd. yoman in the sum of sixty pounds; For the said Christopher Amis's appearance at the next General Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

12 JUNE, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Peter Hales of the Queen's chamber and James Smashaw of the parish of St. Clement Danes, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Reginald Halle, servant of Sir Ralph Hawley knt., in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Reginald's appearance at the next Session for co. Midd. G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

13 JUNE, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Patrick Warde "*de veteri Judaismo*" London grocer, in the sum of ten pounds; For his appearance at the next Session for co. Midd., to give evidence against Thomas Waterhouse and Robert Clegge. G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

16 JUNE, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harrys esq. J.P., of Henry Sacheverell of St. John's Strete taylor, Nicholas Lawrence of the Old Change in London chaundler, Robert Bryckman of Cowe Lane clothworker, and John Holland of St. John's Street taylor, in the sum of five pounds each; For the appearance of the said Henry Sacheverell's wife Margery Sacheverell at the next Session of the Peace. At the bill's foot this memorandum:—"Margery Sacheverell was kept at Chamber's house." G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

19 JUNE, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stratford-at-Bowe on the said day, Thomas Crowe, late of London barbor-surgeon, stole a grey gelding worth five pounds, of the goods and chattels of John Thornewton. *Po se cul ca null: Rep<sup>i</sup> ante judicium.* G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

30 JUNE, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Westminster, William Aymon late of London yoman, stole secretly from the person of Thomas Watson a purse worth a penny, a silver ring worth two shillings, "*duas pecias auri cuniati vocat'* half soueraignes ad valenciam xxs.," another piece of coined gold called a half crowne worth two shillings and sixpence, and twenty-two shillings and eightpence of numbered money, being in the said purse. *Po se cul ca null Sus.* G. D. R., 2 July, 27 Eliz.

1 JULY, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Justices of the Peace at Fynnesberrie co. Midd., of Henry Sacheverell of Seint John-strete taylor, and Richard Ellyott in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the appearance, at the next General Session of the Peace, of Margaret wife of the said Henry Sacheverell, and in the mean time for her peaceful bearing to all people. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 27 Eliz.



20 AUGUST, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Nicholas Langeford gentleman, his wife Martha, and John Haynes yoman, Thomas Smythe yoman, William Garner yoman, Margaret Clerke spinster, Isabella Potter spinster, and Frances Cooke spinster, servants of the aforesaid Nicholas Langeford, for not going to church, chapel or any other usual place of Common Prayer, from 20 August 27 Eliz. to 1 August 28 Eliz.—Similar True Bill, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, from 30 June 27 Eliz. to 1 October then next following, against Anthony Higgyns of Hendon co. Midd. gentleman, Agnes Thomas of Ruislippe co. Midd. spinster, William Burde of Harlington co. Midd. gentleman, his wife Juliana, and his servant John Reason; also against William Lord Vauxe, his sons Henry Vauxe and George Vauxe, William Vachell yoman, John Parker yoman, William Cheyney yoman, Valentine Kellisoun yoman, servants of the aforesaid William Lord Vauxe, all of Hackney co. Midd.; and against Andrew Mallorie gentleman, his wife Elizabeth Mallorie, and his servants Anthony Brackenburie yoman, Thomas Hall yoman, and William Nuttall yoman, all of Hackney co. Midd.—Also, on the same file, similar True Bill, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, against Mary Isam widow, Joan Tremayne wife of Richard Tremayne gentleman, Jane Tremayne spinster, all three of Stepney co. Midd. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 28 Eliz.

22 AUGUST, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. on the said day, William Sowthern late of London yoman, entered the house of Richard Lyne, and stole therefrom a silver-gilt 'salt' with a cover worth four pounds, a silver 'salt' worth eighteen shillings, three silver-gilt cups called 'tanckerdes' worth twelve pounds, three other silver-gilt cups called 'bolles' worth nine pounds, "a stone cuppe garnished with silver and gilte" worth thirty shillings, twelve silver-gilt spoons worth three pounds, fourteen gold rings worth ten pounds, divers precious stones called 'perelles' worth five shillings, two precious stones called rubies worth twenty shillings, one precious stone called a Turkes worth six shillings, one precious stone called a diamond worth thirty shillings, twelve "paynted fruyte trenchers" worth seven pounds, with moneys and other chattels. G. D. R., 30 Sept., 27 Eliz.

27 AUGUST, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Thomas Flower, Robert Milborne, Simon Reve, and Mary wife of the said Simon, all of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields, for not going to church or any other usual place of Common Prayer from the said 27th of August to the 26th of September next following.—Also similar True Bill, in the same roll, against Humfrey Comberford gentleman, John Moore gentleman, John Hewes clerk, Owin Fletcher yoman, Thomas Edwards chaundler,

Richard Johnson yoman, Robert Archer yoman, Robert Barnes yoman, all of Westminster, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, from 10 July 27 Eliz. to 26 September then next following. G. D. R., 30 Sept., 27 Eliz.

3 SEPTEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. John's Street co. Midd., on view of the body of Mary Keys *alias* Becke, late of Islington co. Midd. spinster, there lying dead : With Verdict that, between one and two of the night of 2 September, the said Mary was in the Queen's prison called 'The Cadge' in St. John's Street aforesaid, when she killed herself by binding a girdle round her neck and by means of the same girdle hanging herself by the neck to a certain post. G. D. R., 30 Sept., 27 Eliz.

5 SEPTEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Charterhouse-lane co. Midd. on the said day, Elizabeth Chesterton late of London spinster stole two pieces of coined gold called English crowns worth ten shillings, and one piece of coined gold called half-a-crown worth two shillings and sixpence, and twenty-two pence in numbered money, of the moneys of Robert Williams. G. D. R., 30 Sept., 27 Eliz.

7 SEPTEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Stowe of the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd. cutler and Ralph Haughton tailor, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and Ralph Masson of the same parish merchant-taylor, in the sum of forty pounds ; For the said Ralph Masson's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peace-bearing towards all people, and especially towards Maurice Owen clothworker. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 27 Eliz.

11 SEPTEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH. Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of John Macham of St. Bennett's parish at Powles Wharfe London barber-surgeon, and William Smythe of St. Foster's parish London clerk, and of Richard Dennall of St. Toole's parish in Sowthwarke, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Bryan Bywater of Edmunton clerk in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said Bryan Bywater's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 27 Eliz.

18 SEPTEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Sir Owyn Hopton knt., Lieutenant of the Tower of London and J.P., of William Godwarde of the Middell Tempell gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds ; For the said William Godwarde's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, to give evidence against Edward Edwardes. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 27 Eliz.

22 SEPTEMBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Giles-without-Creplegate, on view of body of John Harryson late of the said parish taylor, there lying dead : With

Verdict that, on the 20th of the present month, the said John was standing in Old Street near his own house, when Maurice Jones with malice aforethought struck him on the right part of his body with a meat-knife, giving him a mortal blow, of which he died on the following day. G. D. R., 30 Sept., 27 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 27 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, that Roger Edlyn of Pynnor co. Midd. yoman, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, exercised the calling of a Badger, and bought and sold ten quarters of beans, against the form of the statute provided for forestallers, regraters and ingrossers. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 27 Eliz.

21 NOVEMBER, 28 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of November, and on divers other days before and afterwards, Dorothea, the wife of William Prettye of St. John's Strete co. Midd. gentleman, being a woman of good and honourable estate and condition, in manifold ways was abused and maltreated by a certain Thomas Foster, son of Susanna Foster, and by reason of the said Susanna's encouragement of her said son; and that when on the aforesaid day the aforesaid Dorothea went to Clarkenwell to compass remedy and due correction of the same Thomas Foster's ill conduct and prave manners at the hands of his pedagogue, a certain Francis Clement, the aforesaid Susanna Foster, wife of Thomas Foster of St. John's Strete co. Midd. gentleman, otherwise styled Susanna Foster of St. John's Strete spynster, as a brawler and disturber of the peace, having no care for the discipline and good education of her said son, but rather as a woman altogether devoid of feminine modesty, uttered divers scandalous and opprobrious words of the aforesaid Dorothea, and then and there at Clarkenwell assaulted, beat, shook and maltreated the same Dorothea, giving her divers blows on the head and face, and that when the same Dorothea, after being thus maltreated, would fain have withdrawn from the house, the said Susanna held the door shut, and in a high voice uttered these English words, "Nay shee" (inuendo prefatam Dorotheam) "shall not goe yet shee shall haue more ere shee goe." G. D. R., 27 July, 28 Eliz.

6 JANUARY, 28 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Roland Argall of St. Sepulchre's parish in London esq. and Gabriel Grimston of Edmonton co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds each, and German Fryer of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields gentleman, in the sum of eighty pounds; For the said German Fryer's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his good conduct. G. S. P. R., Easter, 28 Eliz.

15 FEBRUARY, 28 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Harris one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of

Richard Hayes of Blackman's Street in Sowthwark clerk, and Richard Lingham of St. Saviour's parish in Sowthwark cobbler, in the sum of five pounds each, and of Thomas Tyanson of Smithfeilde tailor, in the sum of ten pounds ; For the said Thomas Tyanson's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, to answer "for takinge of henges from the gate of Marybone Parke." G. S. P. R., Easter, 27 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 28 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Clement Carre of St. Dunstan's parish in Fleete Street draper, and William Milborne of the same parish tayler, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Francis Bradforde servant of Edward Sudley of the Stronde gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said Francis's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. S. P. R., Easter, 28 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 28 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, Richard Moyle late of London yoman stole and carried off certain pieces or parcels of silver, called "coppyns or peces of sylver," worth ten pounds, of the goods and chattels of Queen Elizabeth found at the Tower of London. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 28 Eliz.

7 APRIL, 28 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Christopher Ryth esq. J.P., of Robert Wyne of Isleworthe co. Midd. tailor, in the sum of ten pounds ; For his appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, "to answer to the keepinge of a lewde strumpett of incontynent lief, to the great annoyance of the honest parissioners of Isleworth beforesaid, to the evill example of others, as they doe affirme of whome there be monye there and some defended and kept from punyshment by theirre resisting the officers there." G. S. P. R., Easter, 28 Eliz.

9 APRIL, 28 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Henry Townsend of the parish of St. Clement Danes sealmaker, in the sum of twenty pounds, and of Thomas Shelley of the same parish haberdasher, in the sum of forty pounds ; For the said Thomas Shelley's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. S. P. R., Easter, 28 Eliz.

4 JULY, 28 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owyn Hopton knt., Lieutenant of the Tower of London, of Joan Betternan of St. Katherine's widow, and William Joones of London, servant of Lady Sidney, in the sum of ten pounds each ; For the appearance of the said Joan at the next Session of the Peace held at Phinsbury. G. D. R., 27 July, 28 Eliz.

16 JULY, 28 ELIZABETH. — Coroner's Inquisition - post - mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Oliver Haywarde late of London clerk, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Oliver, being within the said gaol, died there by the

Divine Visitation of "the Burning Feaver." G. D. R., 27 July, 28 Eliz.

22 AUGUST, 28 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in the parish of St. Katherine co. Midd., on view of the body of Robert Corbysheley late of the said parish yoman, and servant of William Pope, bailiff of St. Katherine, there lying dead, who, according to the finding of the jury, died immediately of a blow given him by Eloy Gillot, in an affray that occurred between them in the highway of the said parish on the 21st instant. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 28 Eliz.

15 SEPTEMBER, 28 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Islyngton co. Midd., on view of the body of Katherine Bacon, late the wife of Richard Bacon of the said parish collermaker: With Verdict that she died by Divine Visitation, of weakness and failure of power, consequent on her delivery on the 10th inst. of a still-born child. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 28 Eliz.

25 SEPTEMBER, 28 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Richard Fludd late of London weaver, there lying dead: With Verdict that, being in the said gaol Richard Fludd fell ill of the malady called "the Pining Sicknes," of which he died on the 24th instant, after ten days of illness. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 28 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 28 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against William Byrde gentleman, his wife Juliana, and John Reason yoman, of Harlington co. Midd.; William Holborne of Chelsey gentleman; Bernard Brockas of . . . gentleman, William Lord Vauxe of Hackeney; Andrew Mallorye of Tottenham co. Midd. gent., his wife . . . , and his servants Anthony Brackenbury, Thomas Hall and William Nuttall, yomen, and Jane the wife of Ralph Lardge of Tottenham; Nicholas Langford of Fulham co. Midd. esq. and his wife Martha; Thomas Gawinge gentleman, the Lady Mary Dudley widow, John Gyfford esq., all three of Islington; Erasmus Saunders gent., his wife Jane, Christofer Isam gentleman, his wife . . . , Richard Batley gentleman, his wife Anne, John Rynors (or Pynors) gentleman, Francis Thynn gentleman, and his wife Elizabeth, all nine of Clarkenwell co. Midd., for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from the said 1 October 28 Elizabeth, to 1 January then next following. G. D. R., . . . , 29 Eliz.

12 OCTOBER, 28 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Endfeild co. Midd., on view of the body of Alice White *alias* Bymes late of the said parish spinster: With Verdict of jurors, that on the 10th inst. between the hours of nine and ten a.m. the said Alice was at a certain field called Nockholes, when she fell into dispute with a certain William Harlowe late of the said parish yoman, who, in

anger at her opprobrious speech to him picked up a hedge-stake, and striking her broke her skull with it, thereby giving her a mortal wound of which she died on the following day.—On his arraignment for thus slaying Alice White, William Harlowe asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was liberated according to the form of the statute. G. D. R., . . . ., 29 Eliz.

28 OCTOBER, 28 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Kyngeslande co. Midd., Robert Muffett late of the said parish laborer, stole and carried off four pieces of silver called “copens of silver,” worth two shillings, of the goods and chattels of the Lady the now Queen at Kingeslande, and that William Alsoppe late of London goldsmith, knowing him to have committed the said felony, received and comforted the said Robert on the 29th of October.—Also, True Bill, the same Robert Muffet, on the 6 September 28 Eliz., stole and carried off twenty pieces of silver called “coppens of silver” worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Queen Elizabeth, found at Kingesland co. Midd. aforesaid.—Both these bills are in G. D. R., 7 Oct. 28 Eliz.:—*i.e.* the roll of a Gaol Delivery that was held before the date assigned to the earlier of the felonies.

2 NOVEMBER, 28 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, on view of the body of John Mondaye late of the said parish gonnemaker, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 1st inst. between the hours three and four p.m. Edward Palmer late of the said parish . . . . was at a certain place near the dwelling-house of his master, Matthew Clerck of the said parish, when there came thither the said John Mondaye, having in his right hand “quoddam tormentum de ferro vocatum a dagge . . . . being chardged with gonnepowder and twoe bulletes of lead,” which dagge so loaded he placed upon the table; and that Edward Palmer, unaware that the weapon was so loaded and having no intention to do harm to John Mondaye, took up the dagge in his right hand, and discharged it suddenly, thereby unintentionally shooting John Mondaye in the right side, and giving him a wound, of which he died on the following day. G. D. R., . . . ., 29 Eliz.

16 DECEMBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Woxbridge co. Midd., on view of the body of John Bradley late of the said parish yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 15th inst. between the hours nine and ten a.m., Richard Ba . . . gentleman, Richard Reynoldes yoman, William Atkyns yoman, Richard Atkyns yoman and Robert Ingledon of Woxbridge aforesaid miller, were fighting together in the highway at Woxbridge with swords and staves, when there came thither the aforesaid John Bradley in order to preserve the Queen's Peace, who forthwith closed

in fight with the aforesaid Richard Atkyns; and that Robert Ingledon aforesaid, seeing Richard Atkyns and John Bradley fighting together, struck John Bradley on his head with "a coulstaffe," thereby causing him to die instantly; and that in so doing, the said Robert Ingledon murdered the said John Bradley. G. D. R., . . . , 29 Eliz.

19 DECEMBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Robert Hall, late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, being a prisoner in the said gaol, the said Roger died there by Divine Visitation of "the pining sickness," on the 18th inst., after three weeks' illness. G. D. R., . . . , 29 Eliz.

22 DECEMBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Whitechappell co. Midd., on view of the body of Roger Parkyns late of Burntewood co. Essex yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict of jurors, that Thomas Cocker, late of the same parish yoman, took from a certain table "quoddam tormentum de ferro vocat' a dagge . . . . charged with gonnepowder and one bullett of lead," not knowing the dagge to be so charged; and that without intending to do any-one any hurt, the same Thomas Cocker discharged the weapon on the 21st inst. between the hours two and three p.m. and accidentally shot Richard Parkyns in the throat, thereby causing him to die instantly. G. D. R., . . . , 29 Eliz.

29 DECEMBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Isaack Brett, late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, being a prisoner in the said gaol, the said Isaack Brett died there by Divine Visitation of "the pining sicknes" on the 28th inst., after seven days of illness. G. D. R., . . . , 29 Eliz.

6 JANUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Anthony Barker, late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, being a prisoner in the said gaol, the said Anthony died there on the 5th inst. by Divine Visitation of "the Pining Sicknes," after five days' illness. G. D. R., . . . , 29 Eliz.

— JANUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, on view of the body of Humfrey Burchall . . . , then and there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 7 January, 29 Elizabeth, between the hours eight and nine a.m., the said Humfrey Burchall in the parish of St. Dunstan-in-le-West encountered Richard Sutton . . . ; and that the two walked together holding speech with one another (insimul ambulare-runt pariter confabulantes) to a certain close in the same parish, where Richard Sutton threw his cloak, sword and buckler on the ground, and

spoke words to which Humfrey Burchall replied by saying, "But I will fighte with thee"; whereupon an affray was made between the two, Richard Sutton fighting with sword and buckler, whilst Humfrey Burchall fought with sword and dagger; in which affray the said Richard Sutton with his sword gave the said Humfrey on the fore part of his neck a mortal blow, of which he died; and that Richard Sutton thus slew Humfrey Burchall.—A memorandum, at the foot of the decayed and fragmentary bill, that at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate held on . . . ., Richard Sutton produced the Queen's pardon, and begged that it might be allowed to him. G. D. R., 5 April, 29 Eliz.

11 JANUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Purffrey of Shewstock co. Warwick gentleman in the sum of one hundred pounds, and of Michael Purffrey of Yslington co. Midd. yoman, in the sum of two hundred pounds; For the said Michael's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., . . . ., 29 Eliz.

11 JANUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Henry Craushawe late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, being a prisoner in the said gaol, the said Henry Craushawe died there by Divine Visitation of "the pininge sicknes," on the 10th inst., after seven days' illness. G. D. R., . . . ., 29 Eliz.

16 JANUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Pancras, on view of the body of John Byttfield late of London gentleman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 15 January 29 Eliz. between the hours seven and eight a.m., the said John Byttfield and a certain Josias Raynescrofte . . . ., met in a certain field within the said parish called Foordes Close, and that after parleying together they then and there drew forth their swords and daggers, and made an affray with one another, in which affray the aforesaid Josias Raynescrofte with his sword gave the said John Byttfield on the fore part of his body a mortal blow, of which the said John then and there instantly died. G. D. R., 5 April, 29 Eliz.

21 JANUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Robert Ball of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields yoman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 21 Jan. 29 Eliz. to 5 April then next following. G. D. R., 28 April, 29 Eliz.

25 JANUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Thomas Pettye late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Thomas Pettye died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "the pin-



ing sicknes," after a fortnight's illness, on the 24th instant. G. D. R., 5 April, 29 Eliz.

7 FEBRUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of John Hodges late of London yoman: With Verdict that the said John Hodges died in the said gaol by Divine Visitation of "the pining sicknes," on the 6th inst. G. D. R., 5 April, 29 Eliz.

8 FEBRUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Henry Tooly late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, being within said prison, the said Henry Tooly fell ill of the "Pestilent Fever," and died of it after eight days of sickness, on the 6th inst. G. D. R., 5 April, 29 Eliz.

9 FEBRUARY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Thomas Beacles late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Thomas died in the said gaol by Divine Visitation of "the pining sicknes" on the 8th inst., after three weeks of illness. G. D. R., 5 April, 29 Eliz.

17 MARCH, 29 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of March 29 Eliz. John Welden late of Grais Inne Lane clerk, *alias* John Savell late of the same place clerk, being born within this kingdom of England after the Feast of the Nativity of John the Baptist 1 Eliz., and made and ordained a priest at . . . in parts beyond sea by authority derived from the Roman See before the 14th day of March 29 Eliz., not considering the laws and statutes of this kingdom of England, nor fearing in any degree the penalty in the same, on the aforesaid 17th of March 29 Eliz. was and remained traitorously and as a traitor at Grais Inne Lane aforesaid, in contempt of the same Queen her crown and dignity, and also against the statute in this case published and provided. Memorandum (in Latin) at the head of the bill, "He says that he is 'Not Guilty,' but says that he does not wish to put himself npon the country, but wishes to be tried by clergy. Therefore let him go to punishment." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 30 Eliz.

29 MARCH, 29 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Robert Wilford of Hoxton co. Midd. esq. and his wife Mary, Edward Isam of Clarkenwell gentleman, and Francis Yattes of Higate gentleman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 29th March 29 Eliz. to 3rd October then next following.—Also, in the same roll, similar True Bill against Katherine Bellamy wife of Richard Bellamy gentleman, Faith Bellamy spinster, Thomas Bellamy gentleman, Joan Sheppard spinster, Thomas Abraham yoman, Richard Smithe yoman, all of Harrowe co. Midd., for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from 6 June 29 Eliz. to 20th

September then next following.—Also, in the same roll, similar True Bill against John Gardener of Westminster co. Midd. esq., for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, from 28 June 29 Eliz. to 1 October then next following.—Also, in the same roll, a True Bill against Heither Stanlye of Islington co. Midd. gentleman and his wife the Lady Lucy Stanlye, Thomas Gawen of Islington gentleman, Francis Browne of Stepney gentleman, Anne Parker of Stepney spinster, and Cicilia Lemplie of the same parish widow, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 28 June, 29 Elizabeth, to 1st October, then next following. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 29 Eliz.

17 APRIL, 29 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Katherins co. Midd. on the said 17th April, Edward Haukyns late of London sailer stole a firkin of soap worth fifteen shillings, half-a-firkin of butter worth six shillings, two Holland cheeses worth three shillings, and a Suffolk cheese worth two shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Valentyn. G. D. R., 28 April, 29 Eliz.

22 APRIL, 29 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day in the high-way at Harnesey co. Midd., Edward Pygott late of London gentleman assaulted John Robertes with the intention of robbing him, saying to him “Godes woundes delyver thy purse,” and beating and maltreating him so that his life was despaired of. G. D. R., 28 April, 29 Eliz.

27 APRIL, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Alice Sare, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Alice, being a prisoner within the gaol, died there on the 25th inst. by Divine Visitation of “the Pininge Sicknes” after four days of illness. G. D. R., 28 April, 29 Eliz.

19 MAY, 29 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said 29th of May, at the city of Westminster, Christofer Heyward of St. Martin’s-in-the-Fields co. Midd. clerk, fabricated and counterfeited falsely a certain obligatory writing, in the names of Robert Thompson and John Best, by which writing it was represented that the same Robert and John were bound to the aforesaid Christofer Heyward in the sum of twenty pounds under a certain condition set out on the back of the writing, and further put seals purporting to be the seals of the same Robert and John, whereas they never made, sealed or delivered the same writing.—At the bill’s foot a memorandum that Christofer Haywarde acknowledged the writing, but that judgment was deferred because no mention was made of the day and place at which the seals were affixed to the spurious document. G. D. R., 22 Dec., 30 Eliz.

21 MAY, 29 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster, on view of the body of Launcelot Chichester late of the said city gentleman, there lying dead and killed :—The fragmentary parchment affording no particulars of the Verdict, save that on the

19th instant, the said Launcelot Chichester and a certain Henry Poore late of Westminster gentleman were together in a certain highway of the city, when . . . ." G. D. R., . . . ., 30 Eliz.

12 SEPTEMBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Edmund Barton of the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields co. Midd. "picture drawer"; For the said Edmund's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 29 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Andrew Mallerye esq. and William Hadnett yoman, both of Tottenam co. Midd.; Francis Thinne of Clarkenwell gentleman; Thomas Throgmorton esq., his wife Dorothy Throgmorton, and Thomas Palmer gentleman, all three of the parish of St. Andrew in Holborn, for not going to church, chapel, or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 1 October 29 Eliz. to the 1st day of April then next following.—Also, similar True Bill, in the same roll, against Katherine the wife of John Cornewell gentleman, Helen Leake spinster, Jane Leake spinster, all three of Edmonton; Richard Ratley gentleman, Margery Tenoker (?) spinster, Charles Lecheworthe yoman, Katherine Hunter spinster, all four of Clarkenwell, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, from 1 October, 29 Elizabeth to the 1st of April then next following. G. D. R., 19 April, 30 Eliz.

6 OCTOBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against John Hewes yeoman, Roger Awstynye yeoman, Anthony Snapp yeoman, John Keyson yeoman, Roger Lyne gentleman, Robert Sutton yeoman, Thomas Leonarde yeoman, Lawrence Kellam yeoman, Thomas Capell yeoman, Thomas Edwardes yeoman, Thomas [? Owen] Fletcher yeoman, and Richard Johnson yeoman, all of Westminster, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 6 October 29 Elizabeth to 26 November then next following. G. D. R., . . . ., 30 Eliz.

6 OCTOBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—Memorandum that, though proclamation was made at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate on 1 September last past, for Sir William Vauxe knt. *alias* William Lord Vauxe of Hackney co. Midd., Nicholas Lanckford of Fulham gentleman and his wife Martha, Anthony Brackenburie of Tottenham yoman, Mary Isam of Stepney widow, Richard Tremayne of Stepney gentleman and his wife Joan, Jane Tremayne of Stepney spinster, Julian Holcombe of Stepney spinster, Mary Tremaine of Stepney spinster, and William Gray of Stepney yoman, to surrender their bodies to the Sheriff of Middlesex at the next Gaol Delivery, which is this present Gaol Delivery, to answer for their certain trespasses and contempts in not going to church &c., they, the said William &c. have not appeared at this Gaol Delivery; Wherefore each of them is convicted of the aforesaid tres-

passes and contempts, according to the form of the Statute in that case provided. G. D. R., 6 Oct, 29 Eliz.

12 OCTOBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of William Ellys, servant to Master Lyllie of St. Marys Lane, London, gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds; for the said William's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, there and then to give evidence against John Abedherthe. G. D. R., . . . ., 30 Eliz.

1 NOVEMBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Jerom Hawley esq. J.P., of Walter Henley of New Inne co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds; For his appearance at the next Gaol Delivery to be held at Winchester co. Southampton, to give evidence against Henry Wigmore in respect to a certain felony, of which the said Henry is suspected and impeached. G. D. R., . . . ., 30 Eliz.

11 NOVEMBER, 29 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Peter Denn of St. Sepulchre's London marchaunt-taylor, and Nicholas Allsopp of St. Leonard's Shoreditch merchaunt-taylor, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and William Allsopp of St. Leonard's aforesaid goldsmith, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said William Allsopp's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, to answer to such things as may be objected against him. G. D. R., . . . ., 30 Eliz.

25 NOVEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of John Bodley of Whittington College merchant and Baptist Starre citizen and cooper of London, in the sum of ten pounds each, and William Pyke of Waverley co. Surrey gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said William Pyke's appearance at the next Session of the Peace to be held within the county, then and there to answer to such things, as may be objected against him. G. D. R., . . . ., 30 Eliz.

4 DECEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fleetewood S.L., J.P., and Recorder of London, of Sir George Hannage of Haynton co. Lincoln knt., the Lady Alice Barkley of Highe Holbourne co. Midd. widow, Anne Nottingham of Highe-Holbourne widow, and Rose Nottingham of the same parish spynster, in the sum of forty pounds each; For the good conduct, in all coming time, of the said Alice, Anne and Rose. G. D. R., 22 Dec., 30 Eliz.

5 DECEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, Robert Browne, late of London yoman, on the said 5th of December at St. Johnstrete co. Midd. assaulted John Braye gent., he then being in God's and the Queen's Peace, and murdered him by giving him with a rapier a mortal wound

in the left side of his body, of which wound the same John Braye died on the 15th inst.—At the head of the bill, a memorandum that Robert Brown put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung; but that he was respited after judgment by the Queen's command, certified by Sir F. Walsingham knt. G.D. R., 22 Dec., 30 Eliz.

8 DECEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Stephen Bull of Westham co. Essex yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of William Allsopp of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, goldsmith, at the next Gaol Delivery, the said William undertaking to do his best in the mean time to produce the body of John Pinder yoman. G. D. R., 22 Dec., 30 Eliz.

11 DECEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Marshe of the Inner Temple, London, gentleman, and Robert Danby of the parish of St. John Zachary London goldsmith, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and Julius Marshe of Tottenham co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Julius Marshe's appearance at the next Session of the Peace in the county. G. D. R., 22 Dec., 30 Eliz.

16 DECEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before William Fleetewood S.L., J.P. and Recorder of London, of William Skiddey of the Inner Temple gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds, for the appearance of Andrew Barrett at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate.\* G. D. R., 22 Dec., 30 Eliz.

12 JANUARY, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Thomas Mountague of Southmimes co. Midd. vpholster, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Thomas Mountague's appearance at "the next Session," to give evidence against John Hunt and Elizabeth Harris. G. D. R., . . . , 30 Eliz.

16 JANUARY, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hanwell co. Midd., on view of the body of Agnes East, late of Hanwell . . . ; With Verdict that, on the 15th instant between the hours eight and nine a.m., the said Agnes East and a certain John Pryor were together in a certain place called "the hall," within the dwelling-house of a certain Thomas Millet at Hanwell, when he struck her on the head with an axe, giving her a blow, of which she died immediately; and that after so murdering her, John Pryor fled and made good his escape. G. D. R., 19 April, 30 Eliz.

12 FEBRUARY, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Eastsmythfeild co. Midd., on view of the body of Mathew Egers, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 10th inst. between the hours twelve and one p.m. of the same day, the said Mathew Egers and a certain Joyce Oven Howson *alias* Joyce Overs, late of . . . , co. Midd., was in a certain place called "the hall"

within the dwelling-house of a certain Coone Johnson at Eastsmythfield aforesaid brewer, when the said Joyce Overs assaulted the said Mathew Egers with a meat-knife, striking him therewith on the fore part of his body, and giving him a wound in the left side of his belly, of which wound he died on the following day.—On his arraignment Joyce Oven Howson *alias* Joyce Overs *alias* Joyce Overhowse put himself 'Not Guilty' of killing with aforethought, but Guilty of manslaughter; when asking for the book, he received it and read it like a clerk. G. D. R., 19 April, 30 Eliz.

7 MARCH, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that William Goughe, late of Islington co. Midd. inholder, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, sold and uttered to divers persons unknown twenty gallons of Gascoyne wine at 2s. 3d. per gallon, and twenty gallons of sack at 3s. 4d. per gallon, being beyond the prices appointed and limited by the statute in that case provided. G. D. R., 19 April, 30 Eliz.

8 MARCH, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster, on view of the body of James Yonge, an infant of seven years, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on 25 February 30 Eliz. between the hours nine and ten a.m., the said James Yonge and a certain Margaret Yonge late of Westminster spinster, were together within the dwelling-house of John Yonge the same James's father at Westminster, when the said Margaret assaulted the said James, and with both her hands took him and held him over a fierce fire burning up the chimney, and so held him for the space of a quarter of a half-hour, with the intention of killing and murdering the same James Yonge, whereby the "nates" and left "tibia" of the said James were much burnt; from which burning he languished till the 6th instant, when he died; and that in so dealing with the child the aforesaid Margaret murdered him. On her arraignment, Margaret Yonge put herself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 19 April, 30 Eliz.

18 MARCH, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said 18th of March at Whitechapple, Lion Aldworth late of London yoman stole a sword, worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Smythe. Putting himself 'Guilty' of Petty Larciny, Lion Aldworth was tried by a Jury who appraised the sword at eleven pence half-penny. G. D. R., 19 April, 30 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Philip Baker of Stepney co. Midd. gentleman, Nicholas Lee of Clarkenwell gentleman, and Richard Palmer of Edmonton yoman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 20 March 30 Eliz. to the 17th of June then next following. G. D. R., . . ., 30 Eliz.

30 MARCH, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem taken at the parish of Stebunheth, on view of the body of Arthur Gardyner, late of London yoman : With Verdict that, on the 29th inst. between the hours nine and ten p.m., a certain Thomas Comes late of London yoman and a certain unknown person were together in a certain place called the Brickhills, within the field called Spittell Feild in the aforesaid parish, when they were joined by the said Arthur Gardyner and a certain Henry Clerke late of London shoemaker : whereupon the aforesaid Thomas Comes with malice aforethought assaulted the same Arthur Gardyner, and with a sword gave him on the left side of his breast a blow, of which he instantly died.—At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that at the Gaol Delivery held on 16 Jan. 31 Eliz. Thomas Comes put himself 'Not Guilty,' and was acquitted. G. D. R., 19 April, 30 Eliz.

15 APRIL, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that Walter Hassellwicke, late of London yoman, stole a fetherbed worth forty shillings, "vnum straggulum voc' an Irish Caddo" worth twenty shillings, a blanket worth ten shillings, and "a pillowe of downe" worth nine shillings, of the goods and chattels of Robert, Earl of Essex, at Twickenham co. Midd. G. D. R., 19 April, 30 Eliz.

27 APRIL, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Strande co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Bradford late of London yoman stole and carried off "unam peciam argenti vocat' a spice box" worth four pounds, and a linen tablecloth worth six shillings, and a woollen cloak of "bricke collour" worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Carroll.—Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Bradford was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 30 Eliz.

27 APRIL, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harnesey co. Midd. during the night of the said 27th of April, Rowland Belynn, and George Bold, both late of London yomen, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Thomas Ardern esq. (Cecilia the wife of the same Thomas Ardern being then in the same house with her family then at rest), and stole therefrom "a cheyne of golde of small linckes" worth twenty pounds, another gold chain worth twelve pounds, a pair of gold bracelettes worth nine pounds, thirty-two gold buttons worth six pounds, a pair of gold "tablettes" worth eight pounds, two gold rings set with "diamondes" worth seven pounds, another gold ring set with a "turkys" worth four pounds, "unum alium annulum vocat' an emerald" worth five pounds, twelve gold rings called "hoope ringes" worth six pounds, a jewel called "a border of perle" worth three pounds, a jewel of silver called "a bodkyn of silver" worth two shillings, twelve pieces of coined gold called "angelles" worth six pounds, one piece of coined gold called "a piece of xxxs.," three pieces of coined gold called

"duble duckettes" worth forty shillings, two pieces of coined gold called "Englisshe Crownes" worth ten shillings, one piece of coined gold called a "Frenche Crowne" worth six shillings, one piece of silk worth forty shillings, a silk purse worth twenty shillings, of the goods, chattels and moneys of the said Thomas Ardern. Confessing the indictment, Rowland Bellyn was sentenced to be hung. Against George Bold's name appears the note "extra prison." G. D. R., . . . , 30 Eliz.

28 APRIL, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that Robert Leadbeater yoman, Thomas Newberry . . . ., . . . . Thompson yoman, Richard Heyward yoman, and Francis Gravener cobler, all of Westminster, conspired together on 20 April 30 Eliz. to beat, wound and slay Richard Elye of Westminster gentleman, in consequence of which conspiracy the aforesaid Richard Heyward on the 28th of the said April assaulted the same Richard Elye with a drawn sword and would fain have killed him. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 30 Eliz.

1 MAY, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against George Stocker gentleman, Godfrey Barton yoman, John Williams yoman, and William Braye yoman, all of Westminster, for not going to church, chapel, or any other usual place of Common Prayer from 1 May 30 Elizabeth to 20th July, then next following. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 30 Eliz.

3 JUNE, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Giles's-without-Creplegate in London on the said day, Nicholas Sye with malice aforethought assaulted Thomas Daffye with a rapier, and murdered him by giving with that weapon a blow, of which he died instantly. G. D. R., . . . . 30 Eliz.

19 JUNE, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Isack Cockar late of London yoman, who in the said gaol died by Divine Visitation of "the bloody fluxe" on the 18th inst. after five days of illness. G. D. R., . . . ., 30 Eliz.

20 JUNE, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, John Barthelett of Heston co. Midd. was and still is a common disturber of the Queen's peace. G. D. R., . . . ., 30 Eliz.

24 JUNE, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Isabell Springall late of London spinster: With Verdict that, being within the same gaol, the said Isabell died there by Divine Visitation of "the pining sicknes," on the day aforesaid after a fortnight's illness. G. D. R., . . . ., 30 Eliz.

29 JUNE, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Whitechappell co. Midd., on view of the body of William Hudson,



late of London yoman : With Verdict that, on the 27th inst. between the hours three and four p.m. the said William Hudson and a certain Richard Moore, late of London yoman, were together in Pattes Close near Mile-end in the aforesaid parish, when after parleying with one another, they drew forth their swords and daggers, and made an affray with one another, in which affray Richard Moore with his sword gave William Hudson on the fore part of his head a mortal wound, of which he then and there died instantly. At the bill's foot, a memorandum that on his arraignment for manslaughter Richard Moore confessed the indictment, asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered according to the form of the statute. G. D. R., . . . Aug., 30 Eliz.

8 JULY, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Fynesbury on view of the body of Richard Ryce late of London yoman, there lying dead : With verdict that, on the 7th inst., William Pennington late of Sowthemymes co. Midd. yoman was walking from the dwelling-house of Henry Crompton at Shoreditch yoman to the house of Francis . . . in St. Giles's-without-Creplegate tallow-chaundler, to do business with the said Francis, when he was assaulted by Richard Ryce and three unknown persons, who came upon him with their swords and daggers drawn, and before whom he retreated as far as the bridge called "Turned Pyke" within the said field, where the same William Pennington standing at a certain post called "the rayles" drew forth his sword and dagger and lawfully defended himself against his assailants ; and that in the affray thus forced upon him, the same William Pennington in self-defence with his sword gave the said Richard a blow on his left thigh, of which he died then and there. G. D. R., . . . Aug., 30 Eliz.

3 AUGUST, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jerom Hawley esq. J.P., of John Pope, Robert Pennaril and William Russell, all three of Hyllingdon co. Midd. husbandmen, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Thomas Pope of the same parish in the sum of forty pounds ; For the said Thomas Pope's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery after next Michaelmas, to answer respecting the manslaughter of a certain William Hunte, of which he is suspected and impeached. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 30 Eliz.

8 AUGUST, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Fynnesberrie in the parish of St. Giles-without-Creplegate co. Midd., Thomas Johnson, late of London yoman, assaulted Gregory Porter and with malice aforethought slew and murdered the same Gregory Porter by giving him with a sword a wound under the left side of his breast, of which wound the same Gregory died instantly. In its original state the bill indicted John Tugge for being an accomplice in the felony, but

marks on the bill show that the jury found no truth in the charges against him. Endorsement that the bill was taken by the Grand Jury at the Castle in St. Johnstreete: and enough remains of mutilated memorandum at the head of the much-defaced bill to show that on his arraignment Thomas Johnson pleaded his clergy, and that the book was given to him. G. D. R., . . . Aug., 30 Eliz.

30 AUGUST, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of John Clarckston, late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, being a prisoner within the said gaol, John Clarckston died by Divine Visitation of "the pining sicknes" on the 29th inst., after seventeen days of illness. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 30 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Francis Flower esq. J.P., of Garret Tasker and Thomas Williams of St. Gregory's parish in London merchant-tailors, in the sum of forty pounds each; For the appearance of John Norris of St. Olave's parish in London "master of fence," at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 30 Eliz.

18 SEPTEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that William Hartley late of Holborne co. Midd. clerk, *alias* William Garton late of the same place clerk, born within this kingdom of England after the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist 1 Eliz. and made and ordained a priest at Rheims (?) in parts beyond the sea by authority derived from the See of Rome before the 10th day of September 30 Eliz., in no degree regarding the laws and statutes of this kingdom of England, nor having respect to the penalty contained in the same, on the 18th of the aforesaid December was and remained traitorously and as a traitor at Holborn aforesaid, in contempt of the said Queen's crown and dignity, and also against the form of the statute in this case published and provided. With this memorandum (in Latin) at the foot of the bill,—“And the aforesaid William Hartley put himself ‘Guilty’ with no chattels. Therefore it was decreed that he be drawn on a hurdle to the place of execution, and there be hung by the neck, whilst still alive be laid upon the grawn, his members be amputated, his entrails be drawn out of his belly, he being still alive, and be burnt, his head be cut off and his body divided into four parts, and his head and quarters be placed where the Lady the Queen has been pleased to appoint.” G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 30 Eliz.

19 SEPTEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of George Wille servant of Robert Walter of Wimbledon co. Surrey esq., Morgan Price and Denis Castlan servant of the same Walter, in the sum of ten pounds each; For their appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, to give evidence against Gabriel

Lingar, charged with "robbing Mr. Walter's howse." G. D. R., 4 Oct., 30 Eliz.

22 SEPTEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, whereas William Tedder late of Westminster clerk, born after the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist 1 Eliz., was made and ordained a priest before 26 August 30 Eliz. by authority derived from the See of Rome, Dorothea White spinster *alias* Dorothea White wife of Humfrey White of Westminster gentleman, moved by the devil's instigation, knowing that the said William Tedder was such a priest, received; comforted, aided and maintained him being at large and out of prison, against the form of the statute in this case published and provided, and against the Queen's peace, dignity and crown. Endorsement that the Bill was taken at St. John's Street on 4 October 30 Elizabeth, before Sir Owen Hopton knt. and four other Justices "ad audiendum et terminandum" by the oath of under-written jurors. At the foot of the bill, this memorandum (in Latin),—"And the aforesaid Dorothea White put herself 'Guilty,' with no chattels. Sentence that she be hung. And afterwards, that is to say, at the Gaol Delivery made here on the 4th day of . . . 31 Eliz., the aforesaid Dorothea White produced the pardon of the Lady the Queen under the Great Seal of England, bearing date 11 July 31 Eliz., and prayed that it might be allowed to her."—A bill so defaced and mutilated as to be in places decypherable only with extreme difficulty.—G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 30 Eliz.

29 SEPTEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jerom Hawley esq. J.P., of John Heyes of Waltham Holie Crosse co. Midd. yoman, in the sum of ten pounds, and of John Sissemore of Southwarke co. Surrey clothworker, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Sissemore's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, to answer concerning a certain felony of which he is suspected. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 30 Eliz.

2 NOVEMBER, 30 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster on view of the body of John Bannester late of Westminster yoman: With Verdict that the said John, being sick and weak, died on the 1st inst. by Divine Visitation of a certain disease called "plurisey and inflamacon of the longes." G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

26 NOVEMBER, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day, Alice Cutler wife of Anthony Cutler of Whitechappell *alias* Alice Cutler of Whitechappell spinster, exercised and practised certain detestable impious and devilish arts, called witchcraftes inchauntementes charmes and sorceries, against and upon a certain Sibilla Chappell daughter of William Chappell, with the intention of murdering her, from which detestable unholy and diaboli-

cal arts the said Sibilla languished from the said 26 November 31 Eliz. to 21 March 31 Eliz., on which last-named day the said Sibilla died of the same detestable arts, and that, by so practising on the said Sibilla, the aforesaid Alice Cutler killed her. At the bill's head, the clerical memorandum, 'Po se non cul nec rec.'—Also another True Bill (with the same clerical note at its head) against the same Alice Cutler for practising the detestable and devilish arts of witchcraft in and upon Juliana Cooper, wife of John Cooper of Whitechappell baker, on 1 March 32 Eliz., "de quibus quidem detestabilibus nefariis et diabolicis artibus predicta Juliana Cooper die anno et loco predictis languescebat et valde infirma et debilis in corpore suo devenit. Et sic ibidem languescens jacebat per spacium unius anni tunc proxime sequentis per quod ac ratione et vigore predictorum detestabilium et diabolicarum artium per prefatam Aliciam Cutler predictis die anno et loco nequiter et diabolice exercitatarum et practicatarum in et super predictam Julianam Cooper, eadem Juliana Cooper valde vastata et consumpta fuit in corpore suo et adhuc est contra formam statuti in hujusmodi casu editi et provisi &c." G. D. R., 16 April, 33 Eliz.

23 DECEMBER, 31 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Katherin's co. Midd. on view of the body of James Gardyner late of the same place cutler: With Verdict that, on the 22nd inst. between the hours nine and ten of the night of the said day, the said James Gardyner and a certain Richard Church late of St. Katherine's aforesaid cutler were together in the "hall" of the dwelling-house of Cecilia Johnson of St. Katherin's aforesaid spynster, when Richard Church, unaware that the weapon was loaded, took up from a table "quoddam tormentum de ferro vocat' a gonne *alias* dict' a horseman's peace, being chardged with gonnepowder and one bullet of lead," and without intending to do ill to the said James or any other person discharged the gun and shot James Gardyner in the throat, so that he died instantly. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

21 JANUARY, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Maribone co. Midd. on the said day, Charles Wrenne late of London gentleman assaulted Robert Ratclyff and with a sword gave him a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly. On his arraignment Charles Wrenne put himself 'Not Guilty' of the felonious killing called "manslater," but 'Guilty' of killing the said Robert in self-defence. And afterwards at the Gaol Delivery, made on 14 May 31 Eliz., he produced the Queen's pardon under the Great Seal of England, dated 3 May 31 Eliz., and prayed that it might be allowed to him. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

7 FEBRUARY, 31 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. John's-strete co. Midd. on view of the body of Nicholas

Fawcett, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 8th of January 31 Eliz. between the hours two and three p.m., the said Nicholas Fawcett and a certain Sidrake Vere, late of London gentleman, were in St. John's Strete "in publica platea ibidem" when they exchanged insulting words, and then drew forth their swords and daggers, and made an affray with one another, in which affray Sidrake Vere with his sword gave Nicholas Fawcett on the fore part of his breast a mortal blow, from which he languished till the 15th of the said January, when he died of it.—The unusual length of the time between the fatal result and the date of the inquest is noteworthy. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

11 FEBRUARY, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Edward Fenner, S.L., J.P., of Elizabeth Glascoke in the sum of twenty pounds, and of Richard Ovenden of Lincolnes Inn and Frauncis Kychen of Bromley co. Midd., in the sum of ten pounds each ; For the said Elizabeth's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, to answer to such matters as may be then and there objected against her. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

20 FEBRUARY, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Haynes esq. J.P., of Sir Walter Lewsey of Lilisthill co. Sallop knt. and William Mere of Shewe Halles co. Shropsher esq. in the sum of one hundred pounds, and Jane Twogood gentellwoman, in the sum of two hundred pounds ; For the said Jane's appearance at the next Session at Oulde Bayly. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

21 FEBRUARY, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jo : Haynes esq. J.P. of Sir Walter Lewsy of Lilisthill co. Sallop knt. and William Mere of Shewe Halles co. Shropsher esq. in the sum of one hundred pounds each, and Griffen Evans and Marian Chaplin, in the sum of two hundred pounds each ; For the appearance of the said Griffen Evans and Marian Chaplin at the next Session at Ould Bayly. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

23 FEBRUARY, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Thomas Searle of Westminster yoman, in the sum of ten pounds ; For his appearance at the next Session to be held in Middlesex, to give evidence against Edward Graye, "for breakinge open a chest of the said Thomas Searle's one of the Queenes Ma<sup>ties</sup> Garde and taking certen thinges out of the same." G. S. P. R., Easter, 31 Eliz.

26 FEBRUARY, 31 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Maribone on view of the body of Robert Radclyff gentleman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on 21 January 31 Elizabeth between the hours eleven and twelve a.m., Charles Wrenne late of Grayes Inn co. Midd. gentleman walked in the fields from Grayes Inne

towards Maribone Parke ; that, on seeing this, the aforesaid Robert Radclyffe followed the said Charles Wrenne, and on the said Charles's return met him in a certain lane called "Lustie Lane *alias* Longe Lane" at Maribone, and there demanded of him a certain sum of ten pounds which he (the said Robert) pretended was owed to him by the same Charles ; that by reason of the controversy arising between them on this matter, Robert Radclyffe drew forth his sword and dagger and made an assault on Charles Wrenne, who for the preservation of his life drew forth his sword and dagger, as he endeavoured to withdraw from the same Robert ; and that in the ensuing affray, resolutely and violently forced upon him by his assailant, the said Charles Wrenne in self-defence with his sword gave Robert Radclyffe a mortal blow on the right breast, of which blow he then and there died instantly at Maribone Park. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Elizabeth.

28 FEBRUARY, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of John Pellam of the parish of St. Butolp-without-Algate, London, vintner, in the sum of ten pounds ; For his appearance at the next Session of the Peace to be held in Middlesex, to give evidence against Robert Pratt, who is suspected of "stealinge of a silver cuppe pryce vii nobles out of the howse of the said John Pellam." G. S. P. R., Easter, 31 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of Thomas Baylie, servant of Ralphe Baylie of the parish of St. Edmund in Lumbertstreete, London, vintner, in the sum of ten pounds ; For the said Thomas's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, to be held in Middlesex, to give evidence against Reginold Joneson, suspected "of stealinge a silver cuppe price iii li. out of the howse of the said Rauff Baylie." G. S. P. R., Easter, 31 Eliz.

1 MARCH, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of John Robotham of St. James's-at-Garlikehive, London, clothworker, and William Wooddam of the same parish draper, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Reginold Joneson of St. Giles's-without-Creplegate draper, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said Reginold's appearance at the next Session of the Peace to answer to a charge of "stealing a silver cuppe pryce iii li. out of the howse of John Pellam vintner." G. S. P. R., Easter, 31 Eliz.

4 MARCH, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Ralph Winwood of Magdalen Colledge in "the city" of Oxford, in the sum of forty pounds ; For his appearance at the next General Session of Peace to be held in Middlesex, to give evidence against John Tannett. G. S. P. R., Easter, 31 Eliz.

26 MARCH, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Humfrey

Smythe esq. J.P., of George Hodges of St. Brigitt's parish in London gentleman, and Arthur Beeddell of Walthamstowe co. Essex gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Robert Coppyn of Hogsdon co. Midd. gentleman in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance at the next Session of the Peace to be held in Middlesex, of the said Robert Coppyn, suspected "of beinge one of theym that robbed Mr. Herrickes man the Goldsmith in Cheape syde of xv<sup>c</sup> li in cheanes precious stones and other juels in the Highway towards Islington." G. S. P. R., Easter, 31 Eliz.

26 MARCH, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Islington co. Midd. on the said 26th of March, John Tannett late of London gentleman and William Sendye late of London gentleman, with swords and daggers assaulted, beat, and maltreated Roland Bredeford, servant of Nicholas Herick of London goldsmith, and stole from him and carried away a jewel of gold with divers precious stones set therein, worth one hundred pounds; another jewel of gold with divers precious stones viz. an agget and divers dyamondes and rubyes fixed therein, worth ninety pounds; another jewel of gold with divers precious stones, worth one hundred and thirty pounds; a gold chain worth fifty-four pounds; two gold rings with diamonds set in them, worth one hundred pounds; and another chain of gold and pearls worth fifty pounds, of the goods and chattels of Nicholas Herick, then in the custody of Roland Bredeford. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' both gentlemen were sentenced to be hung. But at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate, made on 18 February 32 Eliz., William Sendye produced the Queen's pardon under the Great Seal, dated on 27 January 32 Eliz.—It was also found by the same bill that Richard Clarke, late of London goldsmith, was an accomplice in the felony before its commission, and at Islington on 25 March 31 Eliz. incited John Tannett and William Sendye to perpetrate the aforesaid robbery. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Richard Clarke was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

28 MARCH, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Humfrey Smythe esq. J.P., of John Walters of St. Dunstain's-in-west London cutler, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said John's appearance at the next Session of the Peace to be held in Middlesex, to give evidence against Thomas Pryce, suspected "of stealing of a sworde out of Walter's shoppe pryce xxs." G. S. P. R., Easter, 31 Eliz.

3 APRIL, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Edmonton co. Midd. on the said day, John Tannett late of London yoman stole two pieces of silver called "a bason" and an "ewer" worth twenty pounds, and six silver-gilt spoons, of the goods and chattels of Lawrence Humfrye. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

10 APRIL, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, whereas John Eastery one of the constables of Hackney co. Midd. yoman on the said 10th of April, by virtue of a certain writ directed to him took the body of Thomas Denham of Hackney in accordance with the form of the said warrant, the said Thomas unlawfully withdrew and rescued himself from the said John's custody. G. D. R., 14 May, 31 Eliz.

11 APRIL, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at St. John's Streate co. Midd. Arthur Stanhope, late of London yoman, stole a leather purse worth a penny, and ten pence in numbered money, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Sheppard, secretly from the person of Elizabeth the wife of the same Thomas. Acknowledging the indictment, Arthur Stanhope was sentenced to be flogged. G. D. R., 11 April, 31 Eliz.

12 APRIL, 31 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Edward Grey late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Edward died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "the pining sicknes," on the 9th instant after six days' illness. G. D. R., 14 May, 31 Eliz.

20 APRIL, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day of April at the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd., Lucas Hutton late of London gentleman, stole and carried off a stone jugge adorned with silver-gilt worth three pounds, three silver-gilt boxes called "boxes for surgeons" worth three pounds, and a wooden box ornamented with silver worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Nicholas Kellaway gentleman; and that Thomas Dewe of St. Clement's-Danes yoman and his wife Alice on the 21st of the said April received and comforted the same Lucas, knowing him to have committed the same felony. G. D. R., 14 May, 31 Eliz.

22 APRIL, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Cooke esq. J.P., of George Russell of the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd. taylor, and Thomas Fortune of St. Buttoll's parish in the city of London "coachmaker," in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Rowland Heighington of the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Field yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Rowland's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, to answer to such things as may be objected against him. G. D. R., 14 May, 31 Eliz.

23 APRIL, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Mauchell esq. J.P., of Thomas Williames of the Inner Temple gentleman and William Halle of Highe Holborne taylor, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the appearance of Simon Askewe gentleman at the next Session of the Peace held in the county, to answer to such things as may be objected against him, "vpon the complaint of the Constable of



Norton Folgate for frequenting suspected houses in that liberty." G. D. R., 14 May, 31 Eliz.

26 APRIL, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Cooke esq. J.P., of Patricke Grante of Channell Rowe in the city of Westminster gentleman, Daniell Kelley of Westminster gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Maurice Newegent, Irishman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Maurice Newegent's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, then and there to answer to such things as may be objected against him. G. D. R., 14 May, 31 Eliz.

17 MAY, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of William Pickeringe of St. Sepulchre's London barborsurgeon, and George Smith of Clerkenwell co. Midd. tailor, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of William Daunsee of the city of Lymerick in Ireland gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said William Daunsee's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace to be held in co. Midd., and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all persons, and more especially towards John Hardon and his wife Joan, and towards John Pugsley and his wife Agnes. G. S. P. R., Mich., 31 Eliz.

2 JULY, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Sir John Arundell knt. and John Talbott esq., both of Clarkenwell; George Hewett of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields yoman, Henry Leake of Eastesmythefelde gentleman, Mathew Small of Paddingeton gentleman; George Mackworth esq. and John Jones yoman, both of Harnesey co. Midd.; the Lady Alice Barkeley of Holborne co Midd. widow, and Katherine Pyne of Whitechappell spinster, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 2 July 31 Eliz. to 28 Sept. then next following. G. D. R., 3 Oct, 31 Eliz.

7 JULY, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day about ten a.m. at Joan Potteres (*sic*) in the parish of Enfeild co. Midd., Alicia Ward wife of Thomas Ward butcher, Margery Hunsdon wife of William Hunsdon yoman, Katherine Elborne wife of John Elborne laborer, Gertrenda Weston wife of Thomas Weston miller, Margaret Wigges wife of Robert Wigges laborer, Joan Thorne wife of Henry Thorne laborer, Alice Beckett wife of John Beckett laborer, Joan Lathbury wife of Robert Lathbury myller, Elizabeth Cubley wife of Francis Cubley laborer, Agnes Wood widow, Alice Burrell wife of John Burrell maltman, Joan Abbott wife of Nicholas Abbott laborer, Joan Chapman wife of . . . Chapman maltman, Anne Turner widow, Agnes Bussher widow, Mary Cooke wife of Thomas Cooke shoemaker, Johanna Bazell *alias* Twigger wife of John Bazell laborer, Joan Sparke wife of Robert Sparke maltman, Elizabeth Beckett wife of Thomas Beckett laborer, Neele Harlowe wife of Luke Harlowe

tanner, Alice Bates wife of William Bates jun. maltman, Mary Gyles spynster servant to John Bassett, Helen Page wife of William Page tailor, Jane Ryone wife of Robert Ryone junior maltman, Elizabeth Bozam wife of John Bozam paynter, Margaret Delowe spynster servant to William Randall, and Barbara John wife of John John, all of Enfeilde aforesaid, assembled themselves riotously and in warlike manner, being armed with swords, daggers, staves, knives and other weapons, and then and there maliciously injured and pluckt up a certain fence of a certain close belonging to Alice Hayes widow, at Jone Potter (*sic*) aforesaid, to the grave injury of the said Alice Hayes. Endorsed "Apud Edmonton xxxi die Julii anno xxxi<sup>o</sup> Eliz. Rne. coram Roberto Wrothe, Henr' Midlamoye, et Joh' Machell, ar. Justic' &c." G. D. R., . . . , 31 Eliz.

26 JULY, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Marybone co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Clarke late of London yoman assaulted Henry Oxon, and robbed him of a russett-coloured woollen cloak worth thirteen shillings and four pence and "vnum vestimentum vocat' a mandilion" worth four shillings; and that John Stevens late of Westminster yoman, John Lavys late of London yoman and William Pearson late of London yoman, knowing that he had perpetrated the said felony received and comforted the said Richard Clarke on 27 July 31 Eliz. Acknowledging the indictment, Richard Clarke asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered according to the statute. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Pearson was discharged in consideration of Richard Clarke's benefit of clergy (*per beneficium clericale principalis*). John Stevens and John Lavys were at large. G. D. R., 3 Oct., 31 Eliz.

9 SEPTEMBER, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the night of the said 9th of September, Francis Blossom and Henry Robardes, both late of London yomen, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of John Clarke of Highholborne, and stole therefrom nine yards of velvet worth nine pounds and ten shillings, certain pieces of silver lace worth forty shillings, and certain pieces of "silk and sylver frynge" worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Sir Gilbert Talbott knt., Lord Talbott, at Higheholborne aforesaid. G. D. R., 3 Oct., 31 Eliz.

20 SEPTEMBER, 31 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Marybone on the said day of September, John Hall, John Raven and John Skevington, all three late of London yomen, assaulted Thomas Powell and robbed him of a "pucke" colored woollen cloak worth thirty shillings, a sword worth nine shillings, a dagger worth three shillings, "unum fistulum argenti voc' a whissell ad valenciam xxxs.," and nine shillings in numbered money. On their arraignment all three prisoners put themselves 'Not Guilty,' and held to the declaration. G. D. R., 3 Oct., 31 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 31 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood S.L. and Recorder of London, of Richard Kytchins of Cliffordes Inne gentleman and Humfrey Rowland of Easte Smythfield horner, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Christofer Marley of London gentleman in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Christofer's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 3 Oct., 31 Eliz.

8 OCTOBER, 31 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Shepparton co. Midd. on view of the body of Robert Wroote . . . there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Robert Wroote and a certain Robert Wigges, each being armed and fighting with sword and dagger, made on 3 September 31 Eliz. an affray with one another at Shepparton aforesaid, in which affray the said Robert received from his adversary's sword a mortal wound, of which he languished from the said 3rd of Sept. to the 24th of the same month when he died thereof.—A fragmentary parchment. G. D. R., . . . 31 Eliz.

28 APRIL, 32 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shorediche co. Midd. on the said day, Morgan Dollinge late of London yoman stole "a foote-clothe of velvett" worth three pounds, six yards of velvet worth three pounds and ten shillings, four ells of the silk called Grene Taffatye worth thirty shillings, "a payer of pillowbers" worth ten shillings, a pair of sheets worth sixteen shillings, "a payer of pillowbers" worth eight shillings, and "tres pecias panni linei voc' three rotchett sleeves of Holland" worth five shillings, of the goods and chattels of John, by divine permission Archbishop of Canterbury. At the bill's head a Memorandum that Morgan Dollinge put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 33 Eliz.

11 MAY, 32 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at . . . on the said day, William Lawrence of the parish of St. Botolph-without-Aldrechgate of London gentleman and . . . "did drive a bargain and contract between Thomas Everinge of London gentleman and Nicholas Mylward of . . ., whereby it was agreed that the said Nicholas should lend the said Thomas ten pounds at a rate of interest exceeding the lawful rate.—A bill so blackened and defaced by damp as to be illegible in material clauses. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

30 JULY, 32 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day in the dwelling-house of William Isloppe at Nortonfolgate co. Midd., Albert Atkynson of Seynt Marye-hill in London victeler, was guilty of adultery with Jane Isloppe, wife of the aforesaid William Isloppe. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Albert Atkynson was sentenced "to be carted." G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 32 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Thomas Barram of St. Andrew's in Holborne co. Midd. gentleman, John Haywood of the same parish gentleman, and James Crippes of Shorediche co. Midd. gentleman for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 1 Oct. 32 Eliz. to the 4th of December then next following. G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

6 OCTOBER, 32 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Margaret Baxfeilde, Elizabeth Tatam, Christofer Rede, Thomas Thompson, Joan Parker, Amie Powell, Jenkin Evans, David Pryce, John Harris, Nicholas Malley, Nicholas Sherley, Rowland Williams, Lewis Stones, Richard Hasted, Henry Bisshophe, Siderak Ellys, Joan Warde, John Hikes, John Jackson, William Harrison *alias* Glasier, Evan Davies, John Phillippes, John Horseley, Robert Cooford, Edward Asheberrie, John Bowman, Edward Carre, Faith Grene, Sara Dobson, Agnes Marten, Joan Monninge, Argenta Robertes, Anne Catesbye, Elizabeth Foster, Joan Andrewes, Alice Parson, for being vagabonds on the said 6th of October at Acton co. Midd., and in divers other parts of the said county, over fourteen years of age, strong in body and fit for labour, but masterless and having no lawful means of livelihood, in contempt of the Lady the Queen, and against the form of the statute in this case provided : With sentence, that each of the said vagabonds should be severely flogged and burnt on the right ear (*graviter flagelletur et cremetur in dextra auricula*) according to the form of the statute.—Similar True Bill, with conviction and the same sentence, against William Robinson, Adam Smythe, Thomas Bowe, Thomas Cowper, John Dudley, Helen Beeche and Helen Wilson, for being vagabonds &c. on 15 October 32 Eliz. at Fulham co. Midd. and in divers other parts of the said county. At the foot of the bill a memorandum that Richard Grove of Bromeley co. Midd. milner took Adam Smythe into his service for an entire year, and bound himself in a sum of ten pounds, to keep the same Adam as his servant for the year, and at the end of the term to produce him at Session of the Peace, or then and there to produce good proof of his death.—Similar True Bill with the same judgment against Alice Walker, Henry Allen, Thomas Cleveley and Thomas Curtis, for being vagabonds &c. on 23 October 32 Eliz. at Islington co. Midd. and at divers other parts of the same county.—Similar True Bill, with the same sentence, against Edward Thompson, William Barrett, Margaret Chapman, Thomas Corser and Timothy Garland, for being vagabonds &c. on 3 Oct. 32 Eliz., at Fulham co. Midd. and in divers other parts of the said county.—Similar True Bill, with the same sentence, against Nicholas Caxson, Mary Conquest, John Symes and Mary Parker, for being vagabonds &c., on 6 November 32 Eliz., at Westminster co. Midd. and in divers other

places of the same county.—Similar True Bill, with the same sentence, against Edward Holmes, Cristofer Ellis, Maurice West, Francis Pigott, Gracian Taylor, John Goodeman and Ambrose Byrde, for being vagabonds on 9 November 32 Eliz. at Westminster co. Midd. and in divers other parts of the said county.—Similar True Bill, with conviction and the same sentence, against Henry Clyff, Elizabeth Brownell, Stephen Morrys, Benedict Edwardes and William Thomas, for being vagabonds &c. on 21 November 33 Eliz. at Seynt Johns Strete co. Midd. and divers other parts of the same county.—Similar True Bill, with the same sentence, against George Bates, Edward Miles and Andrew Hellvishe, for being vagabonds &c. on 14 December 33 Eliz. at Maribone co. Midd., and in divers other parts of the same county.—Preserved on the same file with documents relating to them, and apart from other sessional matters, these eight bills are in a wrapper, endorsed “Di’v’s’ Session’ Pacis tent’ apud le Castell in Seint Jonstrete in p’dco Com’ Midd pro puni’con’ vagabund’ . . . . annis regni Regine Elizabeth xxxii & xxxiii.”—Hence it appears that in the ten weeks between 6 Oct. 32 Eliz. and 14 Dec. 33 Eliz. 71 persons, male or female, and aged fourteen or upwards, were sentenced to be severely whipt and branded with a hot iron for being masterless vagrants in the county:—viz. rather more than seven a week.

22 NOVEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before George Assheby esq. J.P., of Jerom Peter of Westminster yeoman and Thomas Roberts of Westminster cooke, in the sum of five pounds each, and Ingram Willis *alias* Willon of the same city ‘singingman’; For the said Ingram’s appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people, and especially towards Simon Benbow of Westminster tailor. G. S. P. R., Easter, 33 Eliz.

20 DECEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against John Arrundell of Clarkenwell co. Midd. esq. for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 20 Dec. 33 Eliz. to 31 Dec. 34 Eliz. G. D. R., . . . ., 34 Eliz.

4 FEBRUARY, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hyghegate co. Midd. on the said day, John Halle late of London yoman stole a black velvet cloak “faced with shagge silke” worth five pounds, a “blake silke grograne” cloak “lyned with Taffatye” worth four pounds, a pair of satin breeches of “seawater grene” color worth thirty shillings, a beaver hat worth twenty shillings, and “vnum frenum velvetti voc’ a bridle of velvett” worth ten shillings, and “a velvett jerkyn” worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Evered Dygbye esq., found at Hyghegate. At the head of the bill a memorandum that John Halle

put himself 'Not Guilty,' but was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 33 Eliz.

22 FEBRUARY, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day in a certain field in St. Leonard's parish in Shorediche co. Midd., George Crosse late of London shoemaker, assaulted one Leonard Lyster, then being in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a "pycked stafe" gave the said Leonard a mortal blow under the right eye, of which blow he died on the 25th of the same February; and that in so doing George Crosse murdered Leonard Lyster. G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

11 MARCH, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Walter Wotton esq. J.P., of John Kychen of Totridge co. Midd. gentleman, Anthony Kychen of Barnardes Inn gentleman, and James Kychen of the same Inn, gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Richard Mouse of Wylsdon co. Midd. carter, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Richard Mouse's appearance at the next Session to be held in Midd., for an enquiry concerning a riotous and unlawful assembly made by the same Richard at Holloway in the parish of Islington.—With similar recognizances, for the appearance of Edward Payne of St. Geiles co. Midd. carter, Thomas Herytage of Harrowe co. Midd. carter, William Symson of Eastsmithfylde in London carter, John Major of Eastsmithfylde carter, Henry Brocken of Eastsmthfylde carter, Walter Barley of Islyngton carter, Thomas Hall of Sylney Streat carter, Henry Atkinges of Islington carter, John Kychen of Totridge aforesaid gentleman, Anthony Kychen of Barnard's Inne gentleman, James Kychen of Barnards Inn gentleman, Thomas Bynfyld of Islington inholder, John Craven of Hollaway yoman, Henry Hatton of St. Martyn's-in-the-fields carter, Peter Gardner of St. Geiles's co. Midd. carter, William Osborne of St. Gregories London carter, John Dickingson of Barnardes Inne yoman, Robert Myllington of Totridge laborer, Edward Conkes of Totridge yeoman, Robert Clarke of Holloway husbandman, . . . Thompson of Holloway husbandman, at the next Session in co. Midd. for an enquiry respecting the same riotous assembly made at Holloway by the persons thus put under bonds. G. S. P. R., Easter, 33 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Turmylstrete co. Midd. on the said day, Elizabeth Arnold late of London spinster, stole an imbossed ring worth forty shillings, "a ronnn hollowe ringe with a whissell" worth forty shillings, a "Turkys ring," worth twenty shillings, a "ringe with a pearle in yt" worth twenty shillings, "a foldinge ringe" worth thirteen shillings and four pence, a "blacke enameld ringe" worth six shillings and eightpence, together with divers articles of wearing apparel, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Collier of

Turmylstrete aforesaid gentleman ; and that Elizabeth Hawtrey, wife of James Hawtrey of Turmylstrete yoman, knowing her to have committed the said felony, feloniously received and comforted the said Elizabeth Arnold on 21 March 33 Eliz.—Also, another True Bill that, at Lymehouse co. Midd. on 1 April 33 Eliz., Elizabeth Arnold late of London spinster, stole three “sylver whistells” worth five pounds, seven silver spoons worth forty shillings, two gold rings set with rubies worth three pounds, “a gold ringe with an emerald” worth five pounds, together with other articles of jewellery &c., and seven pounds in numbered money, of the goods, chattels and moneys of John Smythe at Lymehouse ; and that Elizabeth Jonson late of Westminster spinster, knowing her to have committed the said felony, feloniously received and comforted the said Elizabeth Arnold, on 2 April 33 Eliz.—On each bill appears a clerical memorandum, that Elizabeth Arnold acknowledged the indictment and pleaded pregnancy, was found ‘Not Pregnant’ by a jury of matrons, and was therefore sentenced to be hung. From memoranda on the bills it also appears that Elizabeth Hawtrey put herself ‘Guilty,’ pleaded pregnancy, was found by examination ‘Not Pregnant,’ and was sentenced to be hung ; and that Elizabeth Jonson put herself ‘Guilty,’ and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 16 April, 33 Eliz.

3 APRIL, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Edmund Chapman late of the said city yoman, assaulted Agnes Gravener, a child of nine years, “et ipsam Agnetem tunc et ibidem felonice rapuit et defloravit.”—At the head of the bill, a memorandum that Edmund Chapman put himself ‘Guilty,’ and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 16 April, 33 Eliz.

14 APRIL, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt., J.P., of William Skelton of Chaulton co. . . . yoman, in the sum of ten pounds ; For the said William’s appearance at the next Session of the Peace to be held in Midd., to give evidence against Nicholas Wenlock. G. D. R., 16 April, 33 Eliz.

14 APRIL, 33 ELIZABETH.—Coroner’s Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Lymehouse in Stepney co. Midd. on view of the body of Edward Glasse, there lying dead and killed : With Verdict, the said Edward Glasse on the 13th (?) inst. made an affray with a certain Thomas Androwes late of London gentleman, who had been appointed by Thomas Cavendishe esq. “the steward overseer and paymaster” of certain workmen doing divers things needful for the fitting out of the ships of the same Thomas Cavendishe, and that in the affray the said Thomas Androwes in self-defence killed the said Edward Glasse by giving him a blow, of which he died in a quarter-of-an-hour.—This parchment is so defaced and fragmentary as to afford few other particulars of the fray. G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

16 APRIL, 33 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Meridithe ap Davy, late of London yoman, who died within the said gaol on the 15th inst, by Divine Visitation of "the Pininge Sicknes," after seven days' illness. G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

18 APRIL, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Westminster, viz. in the Church of the College of St. Peter of Westminster, William Dethick, Garter Chief King of English Arms, assaulted and made an affray on Henry Browne gentleman then and there being in God's and the Queen's peace, and then and there maliciously drew from its sheath a dagger, with the intention of striking the aforesaid Henry Browne with the same weapon, and further that the said William Dethick with the said dagger then and there struck the said Henry Browne on the left part of his head. At the head of the bill a memorandum, that Garter King put himself 'Not Guilty' and was acquitted.—Also, on the same file, True Bill that William Hammon of St. Peter's-ad-vincula within the Tower of London gunner, Francis Parton of the same parish gunner, and Robert Evelyn of St. Peter's parish in Cornhill, London, powder-maker, on 3 May 33 Eliz. stole twenty-three barrels of gunpowder, worth £92, of the goods and chattels of the said Queen, then and there found at the Tower of London. On the head of the bill a memorandum that on their arraignment William Hammon and Robert Evelyn put themselves 'Not Guilty,' and held to the declaration; and that Francis Parton was out of prison. These bills and other documents touching the two matters are on a separate file, in a wrapper endorsed "vii Augusti xxxiii<sup>to</sup> R. Eliz.—Session Pacis tent. apud le Castell in Seint John's Street &c. . . . coram Owine Hopton milite et William Fletewood Seruien' ad legem ac Recordatore Ciuit' London Justic' &c. S. S. O. T., 7 Aug., 33 Eliz.

20 APRIL, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement-Danes without the bars of the New Temple co. Midd. on the said day, William Nevell late of London gentleman stole a willowe-coler satten doublet and a pair of willowe-coler silk breeches worth twenty-four pounds, two pairs of silk stockins worth four pounds, a dagger worth five shillings, and a linen "indusium" worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Vavesey esq.; and that . . . Hutchinson, late of the same parish gentleman, knowing him to have perpetrated the said felony, received, aided and comforted the same William Nevell on the 21st of the said April, at the said parish. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

24 APRIL, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Katherine's parish co. Midd. on the said day, Nicholas Flewellyn late of London yoman stole a silver cup called "a Taverne Cuppe" worth forty-five shillings, of the goods and chattels of Nicholas Hyckes; and that



Robert Alwinkle, late of St. Katherine's aforesaid goldsmyth, after the commission of the said felony, feloniously received and comforted the said Nicholas. G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

2 MAY, 33 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of William Withers late of London yoman, who died on the 1st inst. within the said gaol by Divine Visitation of "the pining sicknes," after a month's illness. G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

6 MAY, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Seynt Johns Strete co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Phillippes, Stephen Bower, Nicholas Garrard and John Knolles, all late of London yomen, stole "a nether part of a gowne of figured satten" worth twenty-two pounds, "a nether parte of a gowne of black satten" worth eleven pounds, "a kirtle of purple cloth of golde" and a "stomager of clothe of gold" worth eleven pounds, "a kirtle of clothe of sylver" and "a stomager of cloth of silver" worth ten pounds, "a payer of silke stockinges collar sea-grene" worth thirty-five shillings, "vnum par' calligarum sereci colar' *watched*" worth thirty-five shillings, a velvet zone "imbrodered with pearle" worth twenty-nine shillings and sixpence, a velvet zone "sett with buttons of golde and pearle" worth fifty-nine shillings, a chain of gold "sett with pearle" worth sixty pounds and nineteen shillings, and "a payer of braslettes of golde" worth eleven pounds and four shillings, of the goods and chattels of Sir Nicholas Le Strange knt. at Seint John's Strete aforesaid.—Over the name of each of the thieves there appears in the bill the clerical memorandum "extra p'son." The thieves were at large. G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

11 MAY, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Islington co. Midd. in the presence and hearing of divers of the Queen's faithful subjects, Nicholas Haselwood of Islington aforesaid yoman spoke with malice and feloniously against the same excellent Queen, saying that he desired and wished her death, and further "That he hoped to see his enemyes burnt in Smythefeild before Michaelmas." At the bill's head a memorandum, that on his arraignment Nicholas Haselwood put himself 'Not Guilty' of felony, but 'Guilty' of trespass and contempt, and that he was sentenced to be put on the pillory (*Ideo ponetur [sic] super collistrigium*), with a paper setting forth his offence over his head. G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

14 MAY, 33 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken in Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Elizabeth Woodward *alias* Woolward, who died within the gaol on the 3rd inst. by Divine Visitation of "the pining sicknes," after eight months' illness. G. D. R., 19 May, 33 Eliz.

6 JUNE, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Elizabeth Chaundeler of Hoggelane in Whitechappel spinster, Anne Drurye of Popler widow, Katherine Inwayne of Whitechappel widow, and William Mompesson of Clarkenwell, gentleman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 6 June 33 Eliz. to 26 Sept. then next following.—Also, on the same file, similar True Bill against Abraham Pulberrie of St. Leonard's parish in Shorditch gentleman and his wife Joan, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, from 1 June 33 Eliz. to 27 Sept. then next following.—Also, on the same file, similar True Bill against John Wilkinson of St. James's parish in Clarkenwell yoman, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer from 20 November 33 Eliz. to 28 Sept. then next following. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 33 Eliz.

20 JUNE, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Enfeilde co. Midd., Eleanor Trevener of the said parish spinster, not having the fear of God before her eyes, but moved and seduced by the devil's instigation, and her own malice aforethought, gave and offered to her mistress, Susanna Jackson, a certain dish filled with pieces and mixed with a certain poison called ratesbane, with the intention of killing and murdering the aforesaid Susanna Jackson; which same Susanna Jackson immediately after the taking of the same mixture (post receptionem intoxicac'onis) became languid and feeble in her body and still remains in great peril of her life. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 33 Eliz.

6 JULY, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, Philip Kempe and Henry Battersbye, both late of London yomen, stole secretly from the person of Frances Chace a leather purse worth sixpence and five shillings of numbered money in the same purse, of the goods, chattels and moneys of her husband, Henry Chace. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' both thieves were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 27 August, 33 Eliz.

7 JULY, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Greyse Inne Lane co Midd. on the said day, John Mathewe late of London yoman assaulted Thomas Owen, and murdered him by giving him with a sword a fatal wound, of which he languished from the said 7 July 33 Eliz. to 24 August then next following, when he died thereof. Putting himself 'Not Guilty' of murder, but 'Guilty' of manslaughter, John Mathewe was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R. . . . , 35 Eliz.

17 JULY, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Younge, esq. J.P., of John Farrar of the parish of 'St. George in Botulph Lane in London haberdasher and John Farrar of the same parish husbandman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Edward Shelley of Charterhouse Lane tailor, in the sum of twenty

pounds; For the said Edward Shelley's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, to be held in Midd. co. G. D. R., 27 August, 33 Eliz.

25 JULY, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day Stephen Trefulack late of London gentleman, exercised and practised certain wicked detestable and diabolical artes called "wythecraftes inchaumentes charmes and sorceryes" wickedly and diabolically, with the intention of provoking George Southcott gentleman to unlawful love of a certain Elianore Thursbye. At the foot of the bill a memorandum that Stephen Trefulack put himself 'Guilty'; that judgment was deferred by the Court; and that afterwards at the Gaol Delivery of 3 December 34 Eliz. it was ordered by the Court that he should have the penalty of the statute. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 33 Eliz.

31 JULY, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Clarkenwell co. Midd. on the said day, Mary Hill wife of William Hill of the said parish baker murdered Alcibiades Sutton, an infant of the age of half-a-year, by putting a linen cloth over his mouth and so suffocating him. Po se non cul nec rec. G. D. R., . . . . 34 Eliz.

7 AUGUST, 33 ELIZABETH.—Precept of "Venire Facias," running in the Queen's name, directed to the Sheriff of Middlesex; For the immediate appearance before Her Justices of the Peace and of Oyer and Terminer at the Castle in St. John's Strete, of twelve free and loyal men of the view of the City of Westminster, to ascertain and declare upon their oath whether William Dethick, Garter King of Arms (Garter principalis Rex Armorum Anglicorum) late of London esq. is guilty or not of certain transgressions and contempts of which he is indicted. Testibus Owino Hopton milite, et Willo' Fletewood S.L. &c.—Also, on the same file, a similar precept of "Venire Facias," for twelve free and loyal men of the view of the parish of St. Peter-ad-vincula within the Tower of London, to ascertain and declare whether William Hamon of the said parish gunner and Robert Evelyn of St. Peter's Cornhill in London powder-maker or either of them be guilty or not of a certain felony of which they are indicted. Testibus Owino Hopton, milite, et Willo' Fleetewood s'vien ad legem. S. S. O. T., 7 Aug., 33 Eliz.

12 AUGUST, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fleetwoode, S.L., J.P., and Recorder of London, of John Bridges of Westminster brewer, in the sum of five pounds; For the said John's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, to give evidence against William Martin "for stealing of xxx sakes and ix barres of yron owte of the Colledge of Westminster." G. D. R., 27 August, 33 Eliz.

27 AUGUST, 33 ELIZABETH.—Memorandum, that proclamation

having been made at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate on 30 June last past, that George Gataker of Islington co. Midd. should surrender his body to the Sheriff of Midd. before the next Gaol Delivery, which is this Gaol Delivery, to answer for certain trespasses and contempts in not going to church, of which he was then indicted, the aforesaid George Gataker failed to appear at this Gaol Delivery, and is therefore convicted of the same trespasses and contempts. G. D. R., 27 August, 33 Eliz.

28 AUGUST, 33 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Norton Folgate co. Midd. on view of the body of Thomas Bardsley late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Thomas came by his death from an affray, begun and moved by him and a certain unknown person at Norton Folgate aforesaid, between the hours ten and eleven of the 21st inst., against a certain James Browne vintner and Francis Mason yoman, of the same parish, in which affray, Francis Mason with "a browne bill" gave the said Thomas Bardsley on the fore part of his head a mortal wound, of which he died on the 27th inst. ; and that the said James Browne was present at the affray with his sword drawn, and aided and encouraged the said Francis Mason to commit the said felony. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 33 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Francis Grene of St. Martin's-in-the-fields co. Midd. gentleman and Thomas Smythe of St. Clement's-Danes co. Midd. gentleman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 31 Aug. 33 Eliz. to 31 March then next following.—Also, similar True Bill against Lucy Smythe spinster and Elizabeth Sheppie widow, both of St. Clement's-Danes aforesaid ; Jane wife of William Shelley of Holbourne co. Midd. esq. ; Francisca wife of Ferdinand Bawde gentleman, and Francis Bastard gentleman, both of Stokenewington co. Midd. ; William Weston of Clarkenwell gentleman, and John Bastard yoman and servant of the same William Weston ; Ferdinand Bawde gentleman and Elizabeth Button spinster, both of Stokenewington ; Mary wife of William Cole of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields gentleman ; Elizabeth . . . . of Clarkenwell widow ; Elizabeth Allen of Stokenewington spinster ; William Thorosberrie of Nortonfolgate yoman and Stephen Vaughan of the same parish esq. ; Thomas Sleepe of Clarkenwell yoman and his wife Katherine ; William Charnocke of Holborne gentleman ; William Burde of Harlington gentleman ; Mary Grene daughter of Norton Grene of Islington gentleman ; Colletta Pottenger of Islington spinster ; Mary Copley of Holborne spinster ; Dorothy Woodward of the same parish spinster ; James Laweles of St. Katherin's gentleman ; Robert Willes of Harrowe yoman ; and William Pryce of Holborne yoman, for not attending any usual place of Com-

mon Prayer from 20 Dec. 34 Eliz. to the last day of March then next following. G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

7 OCTOBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of . . . . Glinn of the parish of St. Botolph-without-Bushopsgate goldsmith, in the sum of ten pounds, and Richard Bromley of Clerkenwell glover, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Richard Bromley's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, to answer all such things as may be objected against him. 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

13 OCTOBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of William Johnson St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. tailor and William Starkye of St. Dunstan's "in le West London" cordwayner, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Edward Parre of the parish of Prescott co. Lancastre gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Edward Parr's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

20 OCTOBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Edelmeton co. Midd. on the said day, in violation and contempt of a certain statute of 4 & 5 Philip and Mary, Richard Lylliard laborer and Anthony Walden needleman (sutor vestiarius) took possession of a certain Mary Burton, one of the daughters of Launcelot Burton druggist deceased, she being thirteen years of age, and the said Launcelot having by his testament and last will given and bequeathed for her advantage and marriage-portion the sum of thirty pounds, and also by his said testament and last will in lawful manner entrusted her education and government to a certain Briget, now the wife of John Ayshe of East Barnet co. Hartford gentleman; and that in so doing the said Richard Lylliard and Anthony Walden, being over fourteen years of age, withdrew the said Mary from the possession of the said John and Briget, against their will. G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

23 OCTOBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Tuthellstrete in St. Margaret's parish in Westminster, on view of the body of Robert Crosyer late of Westminster yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 22nd inst. between the hours two and three p.m., John Keckham late of the said parish was going in the public way of the said street to the Gatehouse on the business of Margaret Braye widow, his mistress, when the said Robert Crosyer, on his way to the Gatehouse from another part of "the place," crossed over the same place to encounter John Keckham, and assaulted him with a Cowle Staffe, beating wounding and striking him down with the intention of slaying him, whereupon the said John lying on the ground and seeing that his life was in danger then and there with a drawn rapier which he had in his hand defended himself against the said Robert Crosier; and so lying on the ground, because he could not arise by

reason of the violence of his adversary's assault, John Keckham in lawful self-defence and for the preservation of his life with his sword gave Robert Crosyer under the left side of his breast a mortal wound, of which he died on the following day of the present month. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

28 OCTOBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Clement-Danes without the bar of the New Temple co. Midd. on view of the body of Thomas Wrighte late of London taylor, there lying dead: With Verdict that Humfrey Williams late of London yoman and the said Thomas Wrighte spoke insultingly to one another in the dwelling-house of William Redishe in the said parish, on the 26th inst., and that afterwards, between the hours seven and eight p.m. of the night of the same day, the said Thomas came upon the same Humfrey in a certain place in the same parish, and then and there assaulting him beat him and broke his head with a faggott-sticke; whereupon the same Humfrey with a knive gave the same Thomas in the left groyne a mortal wound, of which he died on the 28th inst., and that in so doing Humfrey killed and slew Thomas Wrighte feloniously. On his arraignment for manslaughter Humfrey Williams acknowledged the indictment, asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered in accordance with the Statute. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

28 OCTOBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Laurence Gillman of Stanford-le-Hope co. Essex maryner and George Harrison of St. Dunstan's "in le Easte London" maryner, in the sum of one hundred pounds each, and of Peter Bartilmew of Stanford aforesaid maryner, in the sum of two hundred marks; For the said Peter's appearance at the next Session of Gaol Delivery for Middlesex. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

4 NOVEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Clement's Danes without the bar of the New Temple co. Midd., on view of the body of Thomas Coxon, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 2nd inst. between the hours nine and ten a.m. the aforesaid Thomas Coxon and a certain Daniell Carter late of Westminster yeoman were about to go together between "the twoe gates" near Whitehall, when Thomas Coxon assaulted Daniell Carter violently, giving him on the face several wounds with a dagger, whereupon Daniel Carter said "What meanest thou to strike me? I have nothinge to doe with thee," and did his utmost to withdraw from the same Thomas, and whilst followed by his assailant with a drawn sword did retreat before him to the angle of a wall beyond which he could not go; and that after receiving divers wounds from his enemy, Daniel Carter in self-defence drew his sword, when Thomas Coxon ran in upon the point of Daniel's sword and

so, against the same Daniel's wish, received in the left part of his body a mortal blow, of which he died on the 3rd inst.—Thomas's surname is spelt Croxon as often as Coxon in this prolix writing. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

5 NOVEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Pynwell of Yslington co. Midd. musician (musicus) and John Palmer of the same place tailor, in the sum of ten pounds, and of Walter Stables of the same place tailor, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Walter's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

7 NOVEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Hawtreysq. J.P., of John Wyngester and John Redinge of Ryslype co. Midd. "yemen" and Richard Upton of the same parish joyner, in the sum of ten pounds each; For their appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for co. Midd. to give evidence against Richard Collyns, a vagrant, "charged with felonies and traytorous counterfeitinge of the Quenes Majesties coyne called a syxpence." G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

7 NOVEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood S.L. and Recorder of London, of John Drawater of Blackfriars mercer and Richard Tysdale of Goldingelane farrier, in the sum of ten pounds, and John Lucas of St. Giles's parish silkweaver, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Lucas's appearance at the next Session holden "at Newgate in the olde Bayley in the suburbes of London," and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people and especially towards "the company of weavers." G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

9 NOVEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of William Leafe of the parish 'St. Bothi' near Billingsgate in London yremonger and Ambrose Hackett of St. Olave's parish Hartstrete in London stationer, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Henry Duffield of Lewis co. Sussex gentleman in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Henry Duffield's appearance at the next Session of Gaol Delivery for Middlesex. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

13 NOVEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Whitechapple co. Midd. on view of the body of a male infant then and there lying dead: With Verdict that Elizabeth Webbe gave birth to the said infant secretly, and immediately after its birth killed it, by rolling it up in a piece of cloth with the intention of suffocating and murdering it.—A fragmentary parchment. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

15 NOVEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at the parish in the Savoy co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Parker and Richard Fee-James, both late of Clarkenwell gentlemen, assaulted and

beat John Clarke and robbed him of two gold rings worth twenty shillings, and a leather purse worth sixpence, and thirty-seven shillings of numbered money. The bill exhibits clerical memoranda that the two gentlemen were at large. G. D. R., 3 Dec., 34 Eliz.

15 NOVEMBER, 33 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Sowthemymes co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Culpeper of Balcombe co. Sussex gentleman, Thomas Jurden of Arlingeton in the same co. gentleman, and John Threel jun. of London gentleman, entered forcibly on a certain manor or tenement with appurtenances in Sowthemymes aforesaid, being the freehold of William Lee esq., against the Queen's peace and the form of a certain statute of 5 Ric. II.—Also, True Bill that, at Sowthemymes co. Midd. on 7 November 32 Eliz., Thomas Culpeper of Balcombe co. Sussex gentleman, Edward Leedes of Selmeston co. Sussex gentleman, Thomas Jurden of Arlington co. Sussex gentleman, John Threll of London gentleman, John Parrott of Sowthemymes husbandman, and John Androwe of the same parish laborer, unlawfully assembled in a certain manor or tenement called "Durhams," and with violence took possession of two parts of a certain field called Parkefeilde, to be divided into three parts, being the freehold of William Lee esq. G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

9 DECEMBER, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Istellworth co. Midd. on the said day, William Newman late of London yoman stole three pigs worth thirty shillings and a sowe worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of the Lady Anne Gresham widow. G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

18 DECEMBER, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackeney co. Midd. on the said day, Garrett Radkyn late of Stratford-at-Bowe co. Midd. assaulted Katherine Newby, an infant of eight years, "*et ipsam Katherinam tunc et ibidem felonice rapuit defloravit et carnaliter cognovit.*" G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

26 DECEMBER, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of Henry Sackford of St. Joanes Jerusalem near Westsmithfeilde in London and Lancelot Clerk of London citizen and cooper, in the sum of ten pounds each, and Gregory Patson in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Gregory's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for co. Midd. G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

3 JANUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Gabriel Goodman, Dean of the Cathedral Church of Westminster, Francis Flower and Jerom Hawley, Justices of the Peace, of John Reason of Harlyngton co. Midd., in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Reason's appearance at the next Session of the Peace to be held in Midd., "then and there to answer vnto suche thinges as shalbe obiected against hym touchinge his Recusancye in absenteinge and



absteyninge hym self from devyne service vused in the Church of England." G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

15 JANUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Wapping co. Midd. on the said day, Baltazer Burrowemaster and Harman Myne, both saylors, spoke scandalously and seditiously of the Lady the Queen, saying amongst other things "S . . . upon the Quene."—Enough of a clerical memorandum appears on this mutilated bill to show that Baltazer Burrowemaster was sentenced to the pillory. G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

20 JANUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Mathew Ebbes late of London yoman, who died in the gaol on the 19th inst. by Divine Visitation of "a pininge sicknes," after a month's illness. G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

20 JANUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Edgeworthie co. Midd. on the said day, John Garroll *alias* Lyllye *alias* Lawrence *alias* Garrett, late of London gentleman, stole a bay gelding worth twenty pounds and a pyed gelding worth ten pounds, of the goods and chattels of Robert Bosevyle esq.—Memorandum that the culprit was at large. G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

1 FEBRUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of William Hawley late of London clerk, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that the said William died of "the pininge sicknes."—A fragmentary parchment. G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

5 FEBRUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Anne Paynes late of London spinster stole forty shillings in numbered money, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Thomas Lilley. She put herself 'Guilty.' G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

20 FEBRUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Emery Tilney of the Inner Temple London gentleman and Clement Caldicott of Clerkenwell gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Hugh Owen of the same parish "servingman," in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Hugh's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, to be held in the county. G. S. P. R., Easter, 34 Eliz.

23 FEBRUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—Seven several True Bills, against Rowland Jones, Paul Stringer, Robert Ball, David Crokers, Danyel Conyers, John Clarke and Clement Williams, all late of London yomen, for conjointly committing seven different highway robberies at Islington co. Midd.; three of the robberies being committed on the 23rd, three on the 24th, and one on the 25th of the said February.

Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Rowland Jones, Paul Stringer, Robert Ball, David Crokers, Danyel Conyers and John Clarke were sentenced to be hung. Clement Williams was at large. G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

24 FEBRUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Francis Cumberford late of London gentleman stole two velvet cloaks worth thirty pounds, two satten tunics worth twenty pounds, a pair of "clothe of golde" breeches worth five pounds, and five pairs of silk "stockins" worth four pounds, of the goods and chattels of Anthony Denton. The thief was at large. G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

26 FEBRUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Thomas Hobkins late of London yoman stole a woman's gown "de buffen" worth three pounds, a violet-coloured woollen-cloth gown worth fifty shillings, a russett-coloured woollen cloak worth twenty shillings, and a felt hat worth nine shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Trystram. Acknowledging the indictment, Thomas Hobkyns asked for the book read like a clerk and was delivered. G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

27 FEBRUARY, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Richard Skipwith and Rowland Flud of Westminster gentlemen, in the sum of ten pounds, and John Henchman of the same city tailor, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of the said John Henchman, and also of Mary Roccabett, wife of Paul Roccabett of the same city "drawer," at the next Session of the Peace to be held in Middlesex. G. S. P. R., Easter, 34 Eliz.

— MARCH, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Grayes Inn Lane on . . . day of the said March, Thomas *alias* John Strelley of . . . Gloucester gentleman stole a dapple-graye gelding worth five pounds, a bridle worth two shillings, a girdle . . ., a dagger worth four shillings, "*unum strophium anglie* a scarff," a cambric band worth eight shillings, a gauntlett worth eight shillings, a pair of shoes, with other things, of the goods and chattels of John Saire.—A fragmentary parchment. G. D. R., . . ., 34 Eliz.

4 MARCH, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Alsop of the parish of St. Michael-in-le-Querne in London goldsmith and David Fludd of Hackney co. Midd. yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Robert Ackland of Hackney aforesaid joyner, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Robert Ackland's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex. G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

13 MARCH, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Richard

Young esq. J.P., of Robert Bosseville of Aynesford co. Kent esq., in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Robert Bosseville's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Midd., to give evidence against Thomas Bunninge and John Garrell *alias* Garrett *alias* Larrans. G. D. R., 7 April, 34 Eliz.

27 MARCH, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Richard Richardson, late of St. James's in Clarkenwell yoman, and Briget . . . , servants of Elizabeth . . . widow, and John Sappton of Hampsted co. Midd. gentleman, for not attending church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer. G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

6 APRIL, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of Henry Bett of St. Leonard's in Shordich gentleman and . . . Burbage in the Strond yeoman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and James Burbage of Shordiche gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said James Burbage's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for the county of Middlesex. G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

12 APRIL, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of John Horne of St. Swithin's parish London and James Avenell of Whitecrosstreet in St. Giles's-without-Creaplegate tallowchandler, in the sum of ten pounds each, and William Burgen servant of William Johnson of . . . bricklayer, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said William Johnson's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for Middlesex. G. D. R., . . . , 34 Eliz.

16 APRIL, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Fulham co. Midd. between the hours seven and eight p.m. of the said day, William Arnold of Fulham aforesaid yoman, with a sword gave Peter Jones late of London yoman on the right part of his belly a mortal blow of which he then and there died instantly. Putting himself 'Not Guilty' of the felonious killing called Manslaughter, William Arnold put himself 'Guilty' of killing Peter Jones in self-defence. G. D. R. . . . , 34 Eliz.

17 APRIL, 34 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Fulham co. Midd. on view of the body of Peter Jones late of London yoman: With Verdict that, on the 16th inst. William Arnolde, late of Fulham yoman was journeying in God's and the Queen's peace towards the dwelling-house of his father in Fulham aforesaid between the hours six and seven p.m., when there came to him the said Peter Jones who called out to him "Syrrha Syrrha you with the longe sworde stay for I must talke with thee," to whom William Arnold answered "I have nothings to saye to thee," whereupon Peter Jones made an assault on the said Willam; and that in the ensuing affray,

thus forced on him, William Arnolde in self-defence, and in no other way, gave Peter Jones on the right part of his breast a mortal blow, of which he then and there died.—A fragmentary parchment. G. D. R.,

. . . . 34 Eliz.

26 APRIL, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackney co. Midd. during the night of the said day, Leonard Skelton late of London yoman broke burglariously into the house of Thomas Peasaker, and stole therefrom a woman's gown of sheep's russett colour worth twenty shillings, six pewter pottes worth ten shillings, eight pewter dysshes worth six shillings and eightpence, two brasse kettles worth six shillings and eightpence, and two brasse pottes worth ten shillings. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Leonard Skelton was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R.,

. . . ., 34 Eliz.

7 MAY, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fynnesburys co. Midd. on the said day, John Merricke yoman, Thomas Bemary (?) baker, Lawrence Morrys cutler and Robert Jerwood *alias* Arnold baker, all late of London, stole two books called "Foxe against Osocius" worth eight shillings, six books called "Testamentes" worth thirteen shillings, two bookes called "Psalme bookes" worth three shillings and sixpence, and two books called "Quintus Curtius" worth three shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Proctour.—Lawrence Morrys and Robert Jerwood were "extra prison;" John Merricke "po se cul nec rec," Thomas Bemary put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., . . . ., 34 Eliz.

17 MAY, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Clarkenwell co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Evans late of London alien assaulted Giles Braunche alien, and with a poniard gave him in his left side a mortal wound of which he died instantly, and that Richard thus murdered the said Giles. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 34 Eliz.

29 MAY, 34 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields on view of the body of Richard Cockett, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on . . . . between the hours three and four p.m. one George Asheley late of London yoman was at the house of a certain . . . . Sandes widow, when thither came Richard Cockett who forthwith said to the same George Asheley these English words, "George I have occacon to goe to the feildes and I praye you walke with me thether," whereupon Richard Cocket armed with "a longe sworde" and George Asheley armed with a rapier walked together, till they came to a close called the "Mase" in the parish of St. Martin aforesaid, where after speaking words to one another they drew forth their weapons and made an affray, in which affray George Asheley with his sword gave Richard Cockett on

the outer part of his left leg a mortal wound, of which he died within a quarter of an hour. . . ., 34 Eliz.

1 JUNE, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against John Mayehewe gentleman, Francis Fletcher gentleman and Henry Mayehew gentleman, all three of the parish of St. Clement Danes without the bars of the New Temple co. Midd., for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from 1 June 34 Eliz. to 20 April then next following. G. D. R., 25 April, 35 Eliz.

11 JUNE, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Seint Katherins co. Midd. on the said day, Simon Adams late of London yoman, assaulted John Ariens alien, and with a dagger gave him a blow of which he instantly died. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Simon Adams was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . ., 34 Eliz.

26 JUNE, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that (whereas Robert Sowthwell *alias* Robert Cowper *alias* Robert Cotton, late of London clerk, being born in the dominions of Elizabeth Queen of England &c. at St. Feighthes (*i.e.* St. Faith's) co. Norfolk, and after the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist in 1 Eliz., was ordained a priest at Rome in parts beyond sea by authority derived and pretended from the See of Rome) Katherine Bellamy late of Uxenden in the parish of Harrowe co. Midd. spinster *alias* Katherine Bellamy wife of Richard Bellamy of Uxenden aforesaid, not having God before her eyes, but moved and seduced by the instigation of the devil, knowing the same Robert Sowthwell *alias* Robert Cowper *alias* Robert Cotton to be such a priest as is specified fully above, and out of prison, on the said 26 June 34 Elizabeth knowingly and willingly received comforted aided and maintained him at Uxenden in Harrowe aforesaid, against the form of the Statute in that case provided, and against the said Queen's crown and dignity. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

26 JUNE, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that (whereas Richard Wingfeild *alias* Richard Davies late of London clerk, being born at the city of Worcester co. Worcester, and after the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist of 1 Eliz. was ordained a priest at Rheims in parts beyond sea by authority derived and pretended from the See of Rome) Katherine Bellamy late of Uxendon spinster *alias* Katherine Bellamy wife of Richard Bellamy of Uxendon in the parish of Harrowe co. Midd. gentleman, not having God before her eyes but moved and seduced by the instigation of the devil, knowing the same Richard Wingfeild *alias* Davies to be such a priest and out of prison, on the said 26 June 34 Eliz. knowingly and willingly received comforted aided and maintained him at Uxendon in the parish of Harrowe aforesaid, against the form of the Statute in this case provided, and also against the said Queen's peace crown and dignity. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

21 JULY, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owyn Hopton knt. J.P., of James Kinvine of St. Brigitt's parish London marchaunt-tayler, in the sum of ten pounds, and William Bull of Winsore Castell in the sum of forty pounds; For the said William Bull's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace for Midd. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 34 Eliz.

12 AUGUST, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, John Douglas late of London gentleman assaulted Thomas Crowe and murdered him by shooting him with "a dagg charged with gunpowder and a bullet of leade," which bullet wounded the said Thomas, so that he died instantly; And that Clains Cornelys late of London yoman and Mathew Dodsworth of the city of York gentleman aided and abetted the same John Douglas to commit the said murder. At the bill's foot, a memorandum that John Douglas and Clains Cornelys were acquitted of murder, and found guilty of manslaughter.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill, against the aforesaid John Douglas, Mathew Dodsworth and Clains Cornelis, for assaulting Thomas Crowe at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and stealing his grey gelding, worth three pounds. On the bill appear clerical memoranda, that John Douglas and Clains Cornelis put themselves 'Not Guilty,' and that Mathew Dodsworth was at large.—Also, the Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Margaret in Westminster, on 14 August 34 Eliz., on view of the body of Thomas Crowe, there lying dead. G. D. R., . . . , 35 Eliz.

16 AUGUST, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Ivon Chalkhill coroner, of Mathew Dodsworth of the city of York gentleman, John Swinborne of the same city yoman and Aquila Weekes of Wapley co. Gloucester gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each; For their appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Midd., to give evidence against John Douglas for a certain murder. G. D. R., . . . , 35 Eliz.

16 AUGUST, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Ivon Chalkhill coroner, of Lancelet Davies yoman and Agnes Lyppes spinster, both of Knightsbridge co. Midd. in the sum of ten pounds each; For the appearance of the said Lancelet and Agnes at the next Gaol Delivery for Midd., to give evidence against John Douglas for a certain murder. This bill by an obvious mistake is dated 35 Eliz., instead of 34 Eliz. G. D. R., . . . , 35 Eliz.

20 AUGUST, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Fardinando Parrys gentleman, his wife Frances Parrys (*alias* Frances Parrys spinster), Elizabeth Parrys spinster, Thomas Crosby yoman, Roger Woodwarde yoman, Joan Breddis spinster, Richard Wilson yoman, Robert Woolward yoman, Anne Becker spinster, William Jackson yoman

all of Tottenham co. Midd. ; Margaret Turner wife of John Turner, Elizabeth Taylor widow, Godfrey Barton yoman, John Davys yoman, his wife Katherine Davys, Katherine Momperson wife of Lawrence Momperson gentleman, Rachel Arrundell wife of Thomas Arrundell gentleman, Francis Payne yoman, his wife Mary, and John Williams yoman, all ten of Clarkenwell, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 20 August 34 Eliz. to 10 December then next following. G. D. R., . . . . 35 Eliz.

25 AUGUST, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Robert Arnolde, Lawrence Morris, Abraham Symons, John Johnson and Dennis . . . ., all late of London yomen, stole a russett-coloured woollen-cloth cloak “with dunishe (?) velvett and layde on with silver lace” worth six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence, a sword called “a gilte rapier” and a girdle worth three pounds, of the goods and chattels of Sir Thomas Sicile knt.—Memoranda on the bill that Robert Arnolde and Lawrence Morris put themselves ‘Guilty,’ and were sentenced to be hung; and that Abraham Symons and John Johnson were out of prison; no indication being given of Dennis . . . ’s fortune.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill that Lawrence Morryce and Robert Arnolde, at St. Katheryn’s co. Midd. on the 4th of September 34 Elizabeth, stole a rapyer worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Henry Rogers gentleman; and that Alexander Younge knowing the said Lawrence and Robert had committed the said felony, received and comforted them on 5 Sept. 34 Eliz. at Wapping. Over Alexander’s name appears the clerical note “Extra”; it being again recorded of Lawrence Morryce and Robert Arnold, “Po se cul Sus.” G. D. R., 6 Oct., 34 Eliz.

10 SEPTEMBER, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Bromeley co. Midd. on the said day, William Typtoe late of Bromeley assaulted Suzan Foxe daughter of Thomas Foxe, an infant of eight years, “et ipsam Suzannam tunc et ibidem felonice rapuit defloravit et eam contra voluntatem suam carnaliter cognovit.” Po se non cul nec rec. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 34 Eliz.

10 SEPTEMBER, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Bromeley co. Midd. on the said day, William Typtoe late of Bromeley aforesaid miller, assaulted Joan Baldewyn daughter of Charles Baldewyn, an infant of ten years, “et ipsam Johannam tunc et ibidem felonice rapuit defloravit et eam contra voluntatem suam carnaliter cognovit.” Po se non cul. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 34 Eliz.

19 SEPTEMBER, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the highway at Acton co. Midd. on the said day, Edmund Neele, John Morrys, Dennis . . . ., John Johnson, William Moztooke, Richard Carter,

Abraham Symons, and William Browne, all late of London yomen, assaulted seven unknown men being in God's and the Queen's peace, and then and there beat wounded and maltreated them, and robbed them of two silver-gilt salts, four silver cups, two parcel-gilt silver cups, a parcel-gilt cup called "a Nutte," and eighteen parcel-gilt silver spoons, worth forty pounds; two black-and-russett woman's gowns worth ten pounds, two taffyete hattes worth twenty shillings, a woman's aperne worth sixteen shillings, a gold ring worth twenty shillings, three pairs of linen sheets worth three pounds, and forty parcels of linen cloth worth twenty pounds, of the goods and chattels of Richard Whateley, in the custody and possession of the same seven unknown men at Acton aforesaid.—Memoranda that seven of the eight robbers were out of prison. Of Dennis . . . , nothing is said by the clerical annotator. G. D. R., 6 Oct., 34 Eliz.

26 SEPTEMBER, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Kentishtowne co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Baylie late of London gentleman stole a dapple-grey gelding flea-bitten about the face, worth ten pounds, of the goods and chattels of Paul Bellamy gentleman. Po se non cul nec rec. G. D. R., 25 April, 35 Eliz.

1 NOVEMBER, 34 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of Richard Fletcher of Aldersgate Street London, Master of the noble science of Fence and John David of St. Ethelburgh's parish in London of the said science, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of John Harris "de parochia Creechurch London de nobilissima scientia predicta," in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Harris's appearance at the next Session of the Peace co. Midd., and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing to . . . . Greene widow. G. S. P. R., Easter, 35 Eliz.

16 NOVEMBER, 34 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Margaret wife of Robert Farmer late of St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. carpenter, with the intention of murdering Elizabeth the wife of Edward Crumwell at that time esq. and now the Lord Crumwell, mixed and administered to the said Elizabeth, then being sick, a certain potion, containing a poison called "*mercurie alias ratesbane*," the said Margaret knowing that ratesbane would kill the said Elizabeth, which poisonous potion the said Elizabeth Crumwell, in her confidence in said Margaret and in ignorance of the composition of the draught, drank then and there; the result being that she languished from the said 16 Nov. 34 Eliz. to the 2nd of Jan. 35 Eliz., when she died of the said potion; and that in so dealing with her, Margaret Farmer murdered the said Elizabeth Crumwell. G. D. R., . . . ., 35 Eliz.

17 DECEMBER, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir



Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of John Maye of St. Johnstreet co. Midd. inholder, in the sum of ten pounds, and of Thomas Maddy of Staple Inne gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Thomas Maddy's appearance at the next Session of the Peace co. Midd., then and there to answer &c. to "the complaint of one Saxton, for that comeinge to the said Saxton's howse, and beinge by him denyed to haue a woman lodged in his house, he rayled vpon him and openly in the street exclaimed that the plague was in his howse, and diverse other wayes did both abuse himselfe and the sayd Saxton. G. D. R., . . . , 35 Eliz.

17 JANUARY, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Richard Salmon of St. Bride's parish London tallowchaundler and Richard Evans of St. Clement's Danes tailor, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Thomas Nevell of Dunchurche co. Warwick Turkeyworkewever, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of the said Thomas Nevell and his wife Isabel at the next Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for the said Thomas's best efforts to produce the body of Robert Johnson *alias* Tassell. G. S. P. R., Easter, 35 Eliz.

23 JANUARY, 35 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of Stepney co. Midd. on view of the body of William Atkyns late of London marryner: With Verdict, that Thomas Fleete on the said 23 Jan. 35 Eliz. was at Rattclyffe co. Midd. in God's and the Queen's peace, journeying towards Whitechappell between the hours six and seven a.m., when the aforesaid William Atkyns with his sword drawn assaulted him, whereupon Thomas Fleete retreated from the same William Atkyns, and so far as he was able fled towards a certain field called Welfielde near Whitechappell, when William Atkyns followed him and renewed his attack upon him with the intention of murdering him, upon which Thomas Fleete drew his sword; and that in the affray thus forced upon him the said Thomas with his sword gave the said William, on his right leg over the knee, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 25 April, 35 Eliz.

28 JANUARY, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of William Stile of the precinct of St. Katherine co. Midd. yoman, in the sum of ten pounds, and Michael Mansell, servant of Edmund Stephens of the parish of Allhallowes Barkine, London, waterman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Michael Mansell's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, to answer &c. to "the complaint of the wife of one Stephens, for that being hir husbandes prentice and by him apointed to goe to sea in a marchantes shipp, he notwithstanding went with the Lord of Cumberland, and

being come home he refuseth to serve and to give his pay to his sayd mistress." G. D. R., . . . , 35 Eliz.

1 FEBRUARY, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before John Haynes esq. J.P., of Henry Reade of the Middell Temple in London gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Henry Reade's appearance at "y<sup>e</sup> nexte Sessions of Inquiry at the Castell within the county of Midd., and then and there to give evidence and pursue the lawe with effecte againste Alles Rodes *alias* Brome, and in like manner at y<sup>e</sup> Sessions Hall in thoulde Baly." G. D. R., . . . , 35 Eliz.

14 MARCH, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of Roger Easton of the parish of Allhallowes Bawkin in London glover, in the sum of five pounds, and of Philip Dowman of the precinct of St. Katherine near the Tower of London co. Midd. glover, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Philip Dowman's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, then and there to answer &c. "For that he hath diuersely abused his wife as well by beatinge, as by putting hir from him withoute anye maintenance or any lawfull cause." G. S. P. R., Easter, 35 Eliz.

29 MARCH, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Haynes esq. J.P., of Ralphe Trehearne taylor and George Kerfoote silkewever, both of St. Giles's-without-Cripplegate, in the sum of ten pounds each, and John Reade of Finchlye co. Midd. smithe, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Reade's appearance at the next Session of the Peace in co. Midd., and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people, and more especially towards Anthony Tomsonn of Finchelye yoman. G. S. P. R., Easter, 35 Eliz.

31 MARCH, 35 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westdrayton co. Midd. on the said day Elizabeth Robertes wife of Nicholas Roberts of the said parish yoman, *alias* Elizabeth Roberts of the same parish spinster practised "witchcraftes (*sic*) enchauntmentes charmes and sorceries" upon and against Richard Yerley an infant of four years, by reason of which devilish practice the said Richard languished from the said 31 March 35 Eliz. till the last day of April 37 Eliz., on which last-named day he died of the same exercise of diabolical arts.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill against the same Elizabeth Roberts, for practising witchcraft, at West Drayton on 31 May 36 Eliz., upon and against Thomas Huttchinn and Robert Huttchin (of ages not given), so that they languished from the said day till 1 June 37 Elizabeth, when they died at West Drayton by reason of the same devilish practice.—Also, on the same file, another True Bill against the same Elizabeth Robertes for practising witchcraft &c., at West Drayton on

7 June 37 Eliz., upon and against Thomas Lazenby (of an age not stated) so that he languished and died at West Drayton by reason of the same exercise of devilish arts, on 30 November 38 Eliz. On her arraignment, Elizabeth Roberts put herself 'Not Guilty' and did not retract. The dates of these charges are the more noteworthy, as Elizabeth Robertes was not indicted till the October of the Queen's 43rd year. G. D. R., 2 Oct., 43 Eliz.

6 APRIL, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Barne esq. J.P., of William Kinersley of the parish of St. Mary Overies co. Surrey gentleman and Zacheus Harllackenden of Tunstall co. Kent gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the appearance of Thomas Borrowe at the next Session of the Peace in Midd., to answer to a charge of felony preferred against him by Thomas Engeham. G. S. P. R., Easter, 35 Eliz.

10 APRIL, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of William Gomersall servant of George Gibson of Westsmythfeild brewer, and Richard Richardson of St Botolph's-without-Bushopsgate London surgeon, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Thomas Hanson of London yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Thomas Hanson's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, to answer for "beatinge and woundinge of the wife of Robert Robbinson . . . ., afermed to be in some danger of her death, but since is well recoverd." G. S. P. R., Easter, 35 Eliz.

14 APRIL, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Jenkes of Eaton co. Salop gentleman, John Downes of Tickhill co. York gentleman, and Thomas Gower of London gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Henry Gower of Bolton co. Worcester gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Henry Gower's appearance at the next Session of the Peace co. Midd. G. S. P. R., Easter, 35 Eliz.

14 APRIL, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of John Every of St. Buttolph's-without-Aldersgate in London perfumer and Anthony Pafry of Whitchappell co. Midd. yoman in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Peter Phillipps of Peterborowe co. Northampton gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of the said Peter Phillipps at the next General Session of the Peace co. Midd., and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing to all people and more especially to Hellen Blunte widow. G. S. P. R., Easter, 35 Eliz.

15 APRIL, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Hunte of . . . . and Edward Turrell of St. Sepulchre's London inholder, in the sum of forty pounds

each, and of . . . . Droninge of St. Mary's Southwark inholder, in the sum of one hundred marks ; For the said Droninge's appearance at the next Session of the Peace in Midd. G. S. P. R., Easter, 35 Eliz.

20 APRIL, 35 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against John Game of Clerkenwell co. Midd. yoman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 20 Ap. 35 Eliz. to the 20th of April then next following. G. D. R., 15 May, 36 Eliz.

22 APRIL, 35 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of John Dowglas "estraunger": With Verdict that the said John Dowglas died in the said gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes" on the 21st inst., after six weeks of illness. G. D. R., 25 April, 35 Eliz.

30 MAY, 35 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Graies Inne co. Midd. on the night of the said day, James Lee late of London yoman, burglariously entered the dwelling-house of Lancelet Loveles in the said Inne, and stole therefrom "a Lawe Booke" worth thirteen shillings and four pence. Putting himself 'Guilty' of felony, but 'Not Guilty' of the burglary, James Lee asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., 5 Oct., 35 Eliz.

1 JUNE, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Francis Flower J.P., of Edward Boorde of Cuckefilde co. Sussex and Andrew Roch of Plymouth co. Devon, in the sum of ten pounds each, and Thomas Diar gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said Thomas Diar's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, then and there to answer to such matters as may be objected against him. G. D. R., 5 July, 35 Eliz.

1 JUNE, 35 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hoxton co. Midd. on view of the body of a certain unknown female infant, then and there lying dead: With Verdict that Jane Little late of Hoxton co. Midd. spinster alone and secretly gave birth to the said female infant, living at the time of birth, on a certain field called the Common Field, and forthwith in order to kill the same infant put and buried her in a hole of the same field and so murdered the same infant. On her arraignment, putting herself 'Guilty,' Jane Little was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 5 July, 35 Eliz.

22 JUNE, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Francis Flower esq. J.P., of Robert Tirrell of Barnesey co. Surrey and Richard Hare of London gentlemen, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Launcelott Clayton *alias* Captaine Cleyton, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said Launcelott Clayton's appearance at the next

Gaol Delivery of Newgate, then and there to answer to such things as may be objected against him. G. D. R., 5 July, 35 Eliz.

30 JUNE, 35 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Strand (le strond) co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Revill gentleman stole nine pounds in numbered money, of the goods chattels and moneys of William Jackett. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

2 JULY, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of Thomas Swetnam of London citizen and draper, in the sum of ten pounds, and of Roger Tedder of Whitechappell taylor, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Roger Tedder's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people, and especially towards his wife Margaret. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 35 Eliz.

7 (*sic*) JULY, 35 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Margaret's parish in Westminster, on view of the body of George Barton gentleman, there lying dead and killed: With Verdict, that between the hours one and two p.m. of the said day, Edmund Wilton late of London gentleman was in God's and the Queen's peace at the said parish, in the parlour (parler) of the dwelling-house of Nicholas Nelson, when the said George Barton with a drawn dagger worth two shillings and eightpence and with a sword called "a curtelaxe" worth five shillings, then and there drawn, made an assault on the aforesaid Edmund, and furiously hurled at him the aforementioned dagger; Whereupon the said Edmund withdrew himself from the said George Barton into a corner of the parlour, and the said George Barton in continuing his assault furiously followed the said Edmund Wilton with his drawn sword with the intention of slaying and murdering him: By reason of which, and because the aforesaid George Barton was between him and the door of the same parlour, so that he (the said Edmund) could not escape with his life, he, having a certain rapier worth five shillings, which he then and there held in his right hand drawn, in lawfully defending himself then and there with the said sword gave the said George a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly; and that in thus killing George Barton, the said Edmund Wilton slew him lawfully in self-defence and for the preservation of his own life. G. D. R., 5 July, 35 Eliz.

12 JULY, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of Alexander Cosby of Stradally "in com' dne n're Regine" in Ireland esq. and Owen Garven servant of the said Queen, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Patrick Brangan, servant of the said Alexander Cosby, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Patrick's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace for co. Midd. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 35 Eliz.

1 AUGUST, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Fletewood esq. J.P. of John Dilkes gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds, and of Edward Dylkes and John Assheton gentlemen, in the sum of forty pounds each; For the appearance of the said Edward Dylkes and John Assheton at the next General Session of the Peace to be held in Middlesex, and in the mean time for their peaceful bearing towards all people and especially towards John Madox gentleman.—Also, similar sets of Recognizances, taken before the same Justice of the Peace, for the appearance of John Gyrdler and David Jones yomen, and of William Byllinges and Anthony Garlickie yomen, at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for their peaceful bearing towards John Madox gentleman. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 35 Eliz.

1 AUGUST, 35 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Le Mynories co. Midd. on the said day, Patrick Masterton late of London yoman entered the dwelling-house of John Nowell M.D., and stole therefrom twelve silver-gilt spoons worth twelve pounds, a pair of bracelettes worth ten pounds, a gold ring set with a jacinthe worth thirteen pounds, a gold ring with a rubie set therein worth forty shillings, a gold ring with a gem called “a corialine” set in it worth twelve shillings, a paire of knyves with silver haftes worth eight shillings, three hundred pounds of gold, and forty pounds in numbered moneys, of the goods and chattels of the said John Nowell “doctor in medicinis.” At the bill’s foot, this memorandum, “Po se respectuatur et vacat quia patet per evidenc’ qd’ felon’ fact’ fuit in London et non in Com Midd.” G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

20 AUGUST, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Nowell of the parish “de le Mynorites medicinæ doctor” and Thomas Beale of Norton-folgate co. Midd. butcher, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Edward Payne of Hoxton gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Edward’s appearance at the next Session of the Peace to be held in co. Midd., and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 35 Eliz.

27 AUGUST, 35 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at the house called “le three Cuppes” of William Grome inholder of St. Johnstreate in St. Sepulchre’s parish co. Midd., Jane Baylye late of the said street widow stole twenty-one pounds in numbered moneys, of the goods and chattels of John Eastwood clothier.—Also, True Bill that, at the same house on the same day, the same Jane Baylye stole forty pounds in numbered moneys, of the goods, chattels and moneys of George Horsfoll. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

6 SEPTEMBER, 35 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Henry Stydley of

Laleham co. Midd. gentleman, Elizabeth Waters wife of Richard Waters of Ickenham co. Midd. gentleman *alias* Elizabeth Waters of Ickenham spinster, Edward Wynsore of Cranford co. Midd. gentleman, his wife Helen *alias* Helen Wynsore of Cranford spinster, Jane Snoden wife of Richard Snoden of Cranford labourer *alias* Jane Snoden of the said parish spinster, Nicholas Russell of Edgeware co. Midd. yoman, and Edward Grymes *alias* Underwood of Clarkenwell co. Midd. yoman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from the said 6 Sept. 35 Eliz. to the 1st of January then next following. G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.

11 SEPTEMBER, 35 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Highholborne co. Midd. between the hours eight and nine of the night of the said day, John Wright late of London yoman broke burglariously into the house of John Beste gentleman, and stole therefrom a pepper-boxe of silver double-gilte worth forty shillings, a gold chaine worth six pounds and thirteen shillings, a redde mantle of woollen cloth trimmed with “billimente lase” worth twenty shillings, a testerne of a bedde of silke worthe thirty shillings, a damaske kirtle worth ten shillings, and a kercher worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said John Beste gentleman. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 36 Eliz.

11 SEPTEMBER, 35 ELIZABETH. — Recognizance, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of James Burbage of Hallywell (? Street) yoman; For the appearance of the said James Burbage at the next Session of the Peace to be held in Middlesex, then and there to answer &c. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 35 Eliz.

13 SEPTEMBER, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of John Hostman of St. Marten's-le-graund in London goldsmith, Simon Hostman of the parish of the Savoy goldsmith, and Peter Musard of the town of Cambrige goldsmith, in the sum of forty pounds each; For the appearance of the said John, Simon and Peter at the next General Session of the Peace in Middlesex. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 35 Eliz.

3 OCTOBER, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of John Sharpe of St. Johnstreete co. Midd. victular, in the sum of five pounds; For the said John Sharpe's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, then and there to answer “for obstinatly refusinge to pay the Fyfteenes: and for that he is a very frowerd stubberne fellow.” G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 35 Eliz.

12 OCTOBER, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance of Thomas Hankine, servant of William Beecher of London esq., in the sum of twenty pounds, and of John Winn, also servant of the said William Beecher, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Thomas Winn's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, to answer “for strikeinge and

greatly abusinge of the Constable of Hoxdon as well by blowes, as by most opprobrious revileing speches." G. S. P. R., Easter, 36 Eliz.

17 OCTOBER, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of William Harman of Lymehouse co. Midd. lymeman, in the sum of five pounds; For the said William's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for Middlesex, to answer &c. "for that havinge a warrant to apprehende one that had gotten a maide with childe, he apprehended him and suffered him to escape." G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.

8 NOVEMBER, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of George Blackstone of Blackstone co. York gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said George Blackstone's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex, to answer &c. "for that he was charged with ridinge away with another man's horse." G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.

8 NOVEMBER, 35 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of Robert Jones and Thomas Pope, both of St. Saviour's in Southwarke gentlemen, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Edward Harris of the same parish waterman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Edward's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for Middlesex. G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.

1 DECEMBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of William Mathewes master of fence (magister defensionis) and John Wells barbor-surgeon, both of St. Sepulchre's in London, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Luke Goldinge of Charterhouselane "coachcoverer," in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Luke's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for Middlesex. G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.

8 DECEMBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of George Richbell of Bansteade co. Surrey yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said George Richbell's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for co. Middlesex, to give evidence against John Nashe respecting a certain felony, for which the said John has been attached at the said George's suggestion. G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.

20 DECEMBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within the Gaol of Newgate on view of the bodies of Ralph Willoughby and William Hasellwood, both late of London yeomen: With Verdict that Ralph Willoughby died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "the pestilence" on the 19th inst. after six days of illness, and that William Hasellwood died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes" on the 17th inst. after three days of illness. G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.



26 DECEMBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Eastesmithefeilde on view of the body of Thomas Jones, late of Eastesmythefeilde brewer : With Verdict that, on the night of the 25th inst. between the hours ten and eleven p.m., the said Thomas Jones was in bed in the dwelling-house of John Vanhulste of Eastesmithefeilde brewer, when John Simpkinson of the same place labourer broke in upon him and with a knife gave him on the right part of his body a mortal blow, of which he died on the following day. On his arraignment John Sympkinson put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.

28 DECEMBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. John's Strete co. Midd. on the said day, Sara Jackson late of London spinster stole five yards of woollen cloth "coloris Peach-culler vocat. Pennistoun ad valenciam xxvs.," of the goods and chattels of George Hawfeilde. G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.

10 JANUARY, 36 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Haynes esq. J.P., of Walter Gower and Thomas Smithe, both of Paddington co. Midd. gentlemen, and of John Smithe of Blackamore co. Essex gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds each ; For the appearance of the said Walter, Thomas and John, at the next Session of Enquiry at Westminster, then and there "to answer to felony layde againste them by one Story." G. D. R., 21 Jan., 36 Eliz.

10 JANUARY, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Katherine the wife of Anthony Kytchyn of Harnesey co. Midd. gentleman, *alias* Katherine Kytchyn of the said parish spinster, for not going to church, from the said 10th of January to 13th of February then next following. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 36 Eliz.

15 FEBRUARY, 36 ELIZABETH.—Memorandum that (proclamation having been made at the last Gaol Delivery of Newgate, of 21 Jan. last past, for Henry Stydley of Laleham co. Midd. gentleman, Elizabeth Waters wife of Richard Waters of Ickenham co. Midd. gentleman *alias* Elizabeth Waters of the said parish spinster, Edward Wynsor of Cranford co. Midd. gentleman, and his wife Helen *alias* Helen Wynsor spinster, Jane Snodon wife of Richard Snodon of Cranford aforesaid laborer, Nicholas Russell of Edgeware co. Midd. yoman, and Edward Grymes *alias* Underwood of Clerkenwell co. Midd. yoman, to surrender themselves to the Sheriff of Middlesex before the next Gaol Delivery for the said county, which is this present Gaol Delivery, then and there to answer respecting certain transgressions and contempts in not going to church, of which they were indicted) the aforesaid Henry Stydley &c. have not come to this Gaol Delivery, and are therefore convicted of the said transgressions and contempts. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 36 Eliz.

4 MARCH, 36 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hackney on view of the body of Thomas Goldston, then and there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 3rd. instant between the hours four and five p.m., the said Thomas Goldston and a certain Richard Carpenter of Hackney yoman, sixteen years old, were playing together in the house of a certain William Harrison of the said parish, when they found in "the hall" of the same house "a dagg" charged with powder and ball and "a fowlingepece" also charged with powder and ball, with which weapons they played, in ignorance that the dagg and fowlinge pece were loaded, Richard Carpenter having the fowlinge pece and Thomas Goldston the dagg ; and in so playing Richard Carpenter unintentionally and by mischance shot Thomas Goldston in the face, so that he died instantly. On his arraignment, Richard Carpenter put himself 'Guilty' by mischance. G. D. R., 21 June, 36 Eliz.

16 MARCH, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Chelsey co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Manninge late of London yoman, stole a silver bason and a silver ewer worth twelve pounds, "duas mamillas vocat' white fustian waistcoates ad valenciam iiij li.," a bearinge clothe of crimson taffatye worth forty shillings, two yards of blacke broad clothe worth three pounds, and a russet-colour woollen-cloth cloak worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the Reverend in Christ Richard the Bishop of Worcester. G. D. R., 21 June, 36 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Magdalen Benson of Cranford co. Midd. spinster, Helena "vxor Edwardi Winsour de Cranford in com. Midd. predict' spinster," John Derevers of Shorditch co. Midd. yoman, and John Calvyn of Shoreditch aforesaid yoman ; For not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 20 March 36 Eliz. to 30 September then next following. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 36 Eliz.

4 APRIL, 36 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hardmondsworthe co. Midd. on view of the body of Edward Culver, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on 26 Dec. 36 Eliz. between the hours eleven and twelve p.m., the said Edward Culver, George Hulett labourer and Robert Glynne yoman, all of Harmondsworthe aforesaid, quarreled and fought together with their fists, in which affray George Hulett with his teeth bit the middle finger of Edward Culver's left hand, so that the same left hand and the arm became putrid and sick, and that Edward Culver languished from the said 26th of December to the 25th of March next following, on which day he died of the wound so given him. On his arraignment for thus killing Edward Culver, George Hulett put himself 'Not Guilty,' and the

jurors on their oath declared "quod Johannes Atstyle interfecit et occidit predictum Edwardum Culver." G. D. R., 21 June, 36 Eliz.

4 APRIL, 36 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. John's Strete co. Midd. on view of the body of Joan Saxton, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the night of the 3rd inst. between the hours nine and ten p.m., the said Joan was in her bedroom in her dwelling-house in the said street, preparing herself for the bed in which her husband William Saxton of the same street cook was lying, when he, having a quarrel with her and not wishing her to lie with him, threw at her "quandam matulam stanni voc' a chamberpote," which struck her violently "super dextram partem ventris," so as to take away her breath and cause her to die instantly. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 36 Eliz.

23 APRIL, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, that John Browne, Robert Ambrose, William Standley, Francis Brewerton and John Weekes, all late of London yomen, at Howneslowe in the parish of Heston co. Midd. were seen and found in the consort or society of vagabonds commonly called Egipcians, and that the same John &c. call themselves Egipcians, and that thus they feloniously did, continued and remained there and elsewhere in the same county for the space of a month, from 23 April 36 Eliz. to 24 May then next following.—John Browne and Robert Ambrose were at large; William Standley, Francis Brewerton and John Weekes put themselves 'Guilty,' and were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 21 June, 36 Eliz.

26 APRIL, 36 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Thomas Fowler esq. J.P., of Thomas Gladwine of Hatfeilde co. Hartford, servant to Lord Henry Cocke (apud dominum Henricum Cocke), in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Thomas Gladwin's appearance at the next Session to be held in Middlesex, to give evidence against John Tucker for a highway robbery. G. D. R., 15 May, 36 Eliz.

1 MAY, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Edward Chester, late of Westminster yoman, for not going to church, chapel or any place of Common Prayer, from 1 May 36 Eliz. to 1 May 37 Eliz.—Also, on the same file, similar True Bill against Josias Wakefeilde of Heston co. Midd. glasier, and Elizabeth Waters of Ickenham co. Midd. spinster *alias* Elizabeth Waters wife of Richard Waters of Ickenham aforesaid gentleman, for not going to church from 20 Dec. 37 Eliz. to the 22nd of March then next following.—Also, on the same file, similar True Bill against William Weston gentleman, and his wife Elizabeth Weston (*alias* Elizabeth Weston spinster) of Clarkenwell, John Charnocke gentleman, his wife Elizabeth (*alias* Elizabeth Charnock spinster), Dorothy Charnock spinster and Edith Charnock spinster, all four of Muswellhill in the parish of St. James in Clarkenwell; Isabell Pearsey spinster, William Hipperyn *alias* Hipporon yoman, Anne Stubbyns widow, Francis Thynne gentle-

man, and Samuel Todd yoman, all five of St. James's, Clarkenwell; Alice Pawlen of St. Johnstreete in the parish of St. Sepulchre in London widow; and Charles Chillibrand gentleman, Francis Milles gentleman, Thomas Pallmer yoman, Thomas Hope yoman, William Woadsowne gentleman, James Duckett gentleman, his wife Anne Duckett (*alias* Anne Duckett spinster) and Martha Milles wife of Francis Milles aforesaid (*alias* Martha Milles spinster), all eight of Chauncerylane in St. Andrew's Holborne, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from 20 Dec. 37 Eliz. to the 22nd of March then next following. G. D. R., 2 May, 37 Eliz.

6 MAY, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Stephen Standishe, late of St. Clement's-Danes without the bars of the New Temple gentleman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from the said 6 May 36 Eliz. to the last day of October then next following. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

18 MAY, 36 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Westminster co. Midd. on view of the body of Reginald Lancaster, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 16th inst. between the hours three and four p.m., a certain William Slade late of London yoman was at the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, journeying towards Holborne about the business of his master Sir George Savill knt. when the said Reginald Lancaster with his sword and dagger drawn attacked the same William Slade, who retreated from his assailant as far as a ditch full of water beyond which he could not go; and that then in self-defence the said William Slade drew his sword, and with it in the ensuing affray gave the said Reginald a mortal blow, of which he died on the following day. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 36 Eliz.

24 MAY, 36 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Whitechappell co. Midd. on view of the body of John Smyth, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 19th inst. between the hours seven and eight p.m., in the highway at Shoreditch in the parish of St. Botolph-without-Bushopgate, the said John Smyth and a certain George Hall late of London carpenter fought together with their fists, when John Smyth, being the stronger man, knocked George Hall down and fell upon him, Whereupon George Hall drew his dagger and with it gave John Smyth under his right breast a mortal blow, of which he languished from the said 19th inst. to the 22nd inst., when he died of the same blow. Memorandum, that at the Gaol Delivery of 17 Jan. 37 Elizabeth George Hall put himself 'Not Guilty,' "*nec rec set Johannes Death occidit hominem.*" G. D. R., 4 Oct., 36 Eliz.

10 JUNE, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Highe Holborne co. Midd. on the said day, Allan Starlinge late of Highe Holborne aforesaid

cook assaulted beat and wounded Elizabeth Conyers, wife of William Conyers of the same place cobbler, so that her life is despaired of. G. D. R., 21 June, 36 Eliz.

16 JUNE, 36 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of Gilbert Yelvertoft of the Middle Temple gentleman and Robert Crofte of London gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds each ; For the appearance of Katherine Arden of Norton-folgate co. Midd. at the next Session of the Peace in the said county. G. D. R., 21 June, 36 Eliz.

2 JULY, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at the parish of St. Clement-Danes without the bars of the New Temple in London, Richard Phillippes late of the said parish yoman assaulted Thomas Walter yoman and with a dagger gave the said Thomas "on the lower parte of his necke" a mortal blow and wound, of which he languished from the said 2nd of July 36 Eliz. to the 24th day of the said month, when he died of the same blow. Acknowledging the indictment, Richard Phillippes asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered to the custody of his bail till the next Gaol Delivery after Hilary term. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 40 Eliz.

22 AUGUST, 36 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. John's Strete co. Midd. on view of the body of Edward Favour late of the said street laborer, there lying dead ; With Verdict that, in Cheapside on the 21st inst. between the hours four and five p.m., the said Edward Favour and a certain Nicholas Bankes late of London cutler exchanged words of insult, whereupon Edward Favour with his fist struck Nicholas Bankes, after which blow Edward Favour drew out his dagger in self-defence against his assailant, and with it in the ensuing affray gave Edward Favour in the left part of his belly a mortal blow, of which he died on the following day. On his arraignment for manslaughter, Nicholas Bankes put himself 'Guilty,' asked for the book, read like a clerk and was delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 36 Eliz.

10 SEPTEMBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Tottenham co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Welde late of Edmonton co. Midd. yoman stole a tambe (*sic*) stagge of red colour worth ten shillings, with a bell worth two pence and a leather collar attached to the neck of the same stag, of the goods and chattels of the Most Noble Henry Lord Hunesdon, Lord Chamberlain of the Queen's Household. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

18 SEPTEMBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Tottenham co. Midd. on the said day, Edmund Warde late of London yoman stole a mallard-coloured woollen cloth cloak worth fifty shillings, a fustiah doublett worth twenty shillings, and two silver-gilt rings worth six

shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Windre. G. D. R., 4 Oct., 36 Eliz.

1 OCTOBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Thomas Palmer yoman, James Duckett yoman, his wife Anne Duckett (*alias* Anne Duckett spinster), Agnes Pluckett spinster (*alias* Agnes Pluckett, wife of Olyver Pluckett yoman), all of Higholborne co. Midd.; William Weston, and his wife Elizabeth Weston (*alias* Elizabeth Weston spinster), both of St. James's Clarkenwell; and John Charnock of Muswellhill in Clarkenwell gentleman; For not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from 1 Oct. 36 Eliz. to the 22nd of December then next following. G. D. R., 2 May, 37 Eliz.

16 OCTOBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Thomas Mersom *alias* Masham late of London yoman stole ten pounds in divers pieces of coined gold and ninety pounds in numbered moneys, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Edward Bisse, William Barnarde and Stephen Strowde. Rep<sup>r</sup>. pro comitatu Sowthampton per J. Popham milit. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

23 OCTOBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Roger Downes, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Roger died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes" on the 22nd inst. after thirteen days of illness. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

11 NOVEMBER, 36 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Sir Owyn Hopton knt. J.P., of Edward Zacheverell of Golding-lane gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Edward's appearance at the next Session. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

20 NOVEMBER, 37 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Richard Skevington esq. J.P., of William Crosley of Pycorner, London, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said William Crosley's appearance "at the next Sessions holden at the Castle in St. Joanes Streete without Smythfield Bars," to give evidence against one Richard Gorton. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

25 NOVEMBER, 37 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shordiche on the said day, Richard Defoye late of London yoman stole a blankett worth five shillings and a woollen-cloth coverlet worth sixteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of Sicillia Smythe. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

30 NOVEMBER, 37 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the highway at Haies co. Midd. on the said day between three and four p.m., Edward . . . gentleman, Tristram Hutchins yeoman, Nicholas Webster yeoman, and John Linsey yeoman, all late of London, assaulted Edward

Wattes and robbed him of a skycoloured woollen cloak worth ten shillings, a hat worth five shillings, and a sword worth three shillings. On the bill appears a clerical memorandum that Tristram Hutchins on arraignment put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill against the same four highwaymen, for assaulting John Noble, at the same parish between the same hours of the same day, and robbing him of a white gelding worth thirty shillings, a saddle and bridle worth ten shillings, and seventeen shillings in numbered money.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill against the same four highwaymen, for assaulting Gilbert Frogner, at the same place between the same hours of the same day, and robbing him of a sword worth five shillings, a dagger worth eighteen pence, and nine shillings and sixpence in numbered money.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill against the same four highwaymen, for assaulting Edward Wattes, at the same place between the same hours of the same day, and robbing him of a purple gown worth four pounds, a tawney-coloured cloak worth thirty shillings, a pair of black velvet breeches worth twenty shillings, and a pair of straw-coloured breeches worth thirteen shillings and four pence, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Wolfe, in the keeping of the said Edward Wattes.—In the indictments one of the highwaymen is variously described, as "yoman" and "gentleman." The name of the place, where the robbery was committed, is spelt variously "Haies," "Heesse," "Hesse" and "Hayes." G. D. R., 2 Dec., 37 Eliz.

1 JANUARY, 37 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Andrew's in Holborne co. Midd. on the said day, Josia Ryley of the said parish widow practised the wicked and devilish arts called "witchcraftes enchaumentes charmes and sorceries" upon Herbert Apsawe, so that he languished from the same detestible arts, from 1 Jan. 37 Eliz. to the second day of the same month, "per spacium trigint' horarum et amplius," and died on the same 2nd of January. At the bill's head, this memorandum, "Po se mortuus [*sic*] in facie curie."—Also, on the same file, a True Bill that the same Josia Ryley widow, at the same parish on 11 July 39 Elizabeth, practised the same impious and detestable arts of witchcraftes &c. on a certain Margaret Burroughes, so that "languebat et languidus (*sic*) vixit et adhuc in periculo vite sue existit" =so that she languished and lived feebly and still remains in danger of her life. The same clerical memorandum (Po se mortuus (*sic*) in facie curie) at the head of this indictment also. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

6 FEBRUARY, 37 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Savoy co. Midd. in a house called "the Savoye," John Kidd late of London yoman assaulted Margaret Darsye, an infant under ten years of age, and then andthere "eandem Margaretam Darsye felonice illicite et carnaliter

cognovit." Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Kidd was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 14 April, 37 Eliz.

19 FEBRUARY, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of William Suffield late of London yoman : With Verdict that the said William died by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes" on the 18th inst. after nine days of illness. G. D. R., 14 April, 37 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 37 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Stanhop and John Fatte, both late of London yomen, stole twenty-nine yards of woollen broadclothe, of the colour muskecullor, worth nine pounds, and fifty yards of the woollen cloth called "bayes," of black colour, worth three pounds, of the goods and chattels of Robert Atkinson. G. D. R., 10 July, 37 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 37 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before George Asshebye esq. J.P., of Thomas Lovegrove of Westminster yoman and William Woodwarde of the same city yoman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Thomas College of Westminster yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said Thomas College's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex, then and there to answer concerning a felony, of which he is suspected. G. S. P. R., Easter, 37 Eliz.

9 MARCH, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of William Crisp late of London yoman : With Verdict that the said William died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes" on the 8th inst., after thirteen days of illness. G. D. R., 14 April, 37 Eliz.

11 MARCH, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on view of the body of Anthony Barnes late of the said parish yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 9th instant, between the hours five and six p.m., a certain James Perte late of the said parish yoman was within the same parish, and making his way in God's and the Queen's peace towards St. Giles's-in-the-Fields, when the said Anthony Barnes with his rapier drawn made an assault upon him ; that James Perte vainly retreated from his assailant in order to escape from him ; and that in the affray thus forced upon him James Perte, fighting lawfully in self-defence and for the safety of his life, with his sword gave Anthony Barnes in the right part of his belly a mortal wound, of which he then and there instantly died. G. D. R., 3 Sept, 37 Eliz.

25 MARCH, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Elizabeth Scott late of London spinster, there lying dead : With Verdict that she died



within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sickness" on the 23rd inst. after five days of illness. G. D. R., 14 April, 37 Eliz.

— APRIL, 37 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Thomas Knyvett esq. J.P., of Thomas Lea of London esq. in the sum of twenty pounds, and of John Burbadge and Edward Burbadge, both of London gentlemen, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the appearance of the said John and Edward at the next General Session of the Peace for Middlesex, and in the mean time for their peaceful bearing towards all people and more especially towards William Craggar of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields yoman. G. S. P. R., Easter 37 Eliz.

11 APRIL, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Robert Scott late of London yeoman: With Verdict that the said Robert died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknesse" on the present 11th inst. after seven days of illness. G. D. R., 14 April, 37 Eliz.

11 APRIL, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on view of the body of John Langton late of the said parish cutler: With Verdict that, on the 10th inst. between three and four p.m., the said John Langton and a certain Michael Pinkney late of the same parish, exchanged insulting words and had an affray in a certain place of the said parish, Michael Pinkney fighting with a rapier and John Langton fighting with a staff; in which affray Michael Pinkney with his rapier gave John Langton on the upper part of his right arm a mortal wound, of which he died within a quarter of an hour.—On his arraignment, acknowledging the indictment, Michael Pinkney asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered. G. D. R., 2 May, 37 Eliz.

13 APRIL, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of James Seeny late of London yeoman: With Verdict that the said James Seeny died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyning sicknes" on the present 13th inst., after three days of illness. G. D. R., 14 April, 37 Eliz.

21 APRIL, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within the Gaol of Newgate, on view of the body of Mary Shaw late of London spinster: With Verdict that the said Mary died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyning sicknesse" on the 20th inst. after eleven days of illness. G. D. R., 2 May, 37 Eliz.

26 APRIL, 37 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Thomas Fowler of Islington esq. J.P., of Richard Craddock of St. John's Streat co. Midd. locksmith, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Richard Craddock's appearance at the next Session of the Peace in co. Midd., to give evidence against John Cromwell, for a certain felony of which he is suspected. G. D. R., 2 May, 37 Eliz.

28 APRIL, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within the Gaol of Newgate on view of the body of William Esson late of London yeoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said William died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyning sicknesse" on the 27th inst., after a day's illness. G. D. R., 2 May, 37 Eliz.

1 MAY, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within the Gaol of Newgate on view of the body of Richard Wallys late of London yeoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Richard died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyning sicknesse" on the 29th of last April, after twelve days' illness. G. D. R., 2 May, 37 Eliz.

31 MAY, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at the parish of St. Leonard-in-Shordiche co. Midd., on view of the body of Nicholas Tompson, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Nicholas, at his dwelling-house in the said parish, died by Divine Visitation of the infirmity called "a pyninge sicknes" on the 29th inst., after three days of illness. G. D. R., 3 Sept., 37 Eliz.

28 JUNE, 37 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of Richard Hurste of the parish of St. Buttolph without Bushopsgate vintenour, and Thomas Hurste of the parish of St. Buttolph without Aldgate merchant-taylor, in the sum of ten pounds each, and Teale Magansa van Gulique in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the appearance of the said Teale Magansa van Gulique at the next Session for Middlesex, to answer "for a mutineus conspiracy by him and others against Mr. Tice Fersis?" G. D. R., 10 July, 37 Eliz.

28 JUNE, 37 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Owin Hopton knt. J.P., of Anthony Wryte of St. Katherin's co. Midd. yeoman and John Edwards of Blackefryers London lynn-draper, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Walter Myhelson of St. Katherin's aforesaid joyner, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said Walter's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for Middlesex, "for that he was charged with the suspicion of stealinge a Signe in St. Katherine's." G. D. R., 10 July, 37 Eliz.

28 JUNE, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Stepney co. Midd. on view of the body of Richard Achan late of London gentleman : With verdict that, on the 27th inst. between five and six p.m., the said Richard Achan and a certain William Carvell late of London gentleman, being together at Stepney in the "London fieldc," exchanged insulting words, and drawing forth their rapiers made an affray with one another, in which affray William Carvell with his sword gave Richard Achan a mortal wound, of which he then and there instantly died. G. D. R., 3 Sept., 37 Eliz.

8 SEPTEMBER, 37 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Southall in the parish of Heese co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Weekes *alias* Hartrowe late of London gentleman and Thomas Simpson late of London yoman, assaulted Thomas Kidwell on the highway, and robbed him of forty-six pounds nine shillings and ninepence of numbered money. On their arraignment Thomas Simpson put himself 'Guilty' and was sentenced to be hung; but Richard Weekes, standing silent, was committed to the *peine dure*, the clerical memorandum over his name in the bill being, "Mutum se tenet Ideo consideratum est per Curiam quod eat ad penam duram." G. D. R., 3 Oct., 37 Eliz.

8 SEPTEMBER, 37 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at Hampsted co. Midd. and in Warne Lane near the highway leading from London to Edgeware, John Hurford *alias* Marvyn *alias* Browne yoman, and Thomas Simpson yoman, and Richard Weekes *alias* Hartrowe gentleman, all late of London, assaulted George Beer late Hampsted laborer; that the said Thomas Simpson with a dagg charged with powder and ball then and there shot the same George Beer in the said lane at Wilsdon in Hampsted, giving him on his forehead a mortal wound, of which he languished from the said 8 Sept. 37 Eliz. to the 13th day of the same month of September, on which last-named day he died; and that John Hurford &c. aforesaid was present with the said Thomas Simpson, aiding and encouraging him thus to murder George Beere. Putting himself 'Guilty,' George Hurford was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

13 SEPTEMBER, 37 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hampsted co. Midd. on view of the body of George Bere, there lying dead: With Verdict that, in the night of the 8th inst. between the hours eleven and twelve p.m. the said George Bere was at Wilsdon co. Midd. in God's and the Queen's peace, when he was assaulted by Thomas Simpson yoman, Richard Weekes *alias* Hartrowe gentleman and John Marvyn gentleman, all late of London, and that with a certain instrument charged with powder and ball Thomas Simpson shot the said George Bere in the forehead, giving him a mortal wound of which he died on the present 13th inst.; and Further that Richard Weekes *alias* Hartrowe and John Marvyn were present at Wilsdon, aiding and abetting the same Thomas Simpson to commit the said felony and murder. On the bill appear clerical memoranda that Thomas Simpson put himself 'Guilty,' and was sentenced to be hung, that John Marvyn was at large, and that Richard Weekes *alias* Hartrowe held silence, wherefore it was adjudged "quod eat ad penam duram." G. D. R., 3 Oct., 37 Eliz.

21 OCTOBER, 37 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Young esq. J.P., of George Pullyard of Easte Smithfield co. Midd.

shoemaker and Peter Cornellis of the same place knifemaker, in ten pounds each, and of Henry Milles of the same place carpenter, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Henry Milles's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, and his forbearance in the meanwhile from building a certain new house, lately by him erected in Easte Smithfield against the form of the statute in that case provided. G. D. R., 2 Dec., 38 Eliz.

6 NOVEMBER, 37 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Paddington co. Midd. on the said day, Philip Collyn *alias* Osborne, late of London yoman, stole "vnum equum castratum vocat' a Geldinge" of roane colour, worth eight pounds, and a graye geldinge worth eight pounds, of the goods and chattels of William Morgan esq. Refusing to speak, Philip Collyn was committed to the peine forte et dure. Stat mutus Ideo cons' est p' cur' qd. habebit penam fort' et dur'. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 40 Eliz.

8 DECEMBER, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the night of the said day between eleven and twelve p.m., Robert Howarde and James Greye, both late of London yomen, broke burglariously into the house of George Royle at Hadley co. Midd., and stole therefrom a womman's gowne trimmed with violet-coloured velvet lace worth five pounds, a flannell petticoate trimmed with "billament lace" worth thirty shillings, a woman's kirtle trimmed with tawney-coloured "billament lace" worth forty shillings, a woman's kirtle of puke-colour worth thirteen shillings and fourpence, a hatt worth twelve shillings, a taffeta apron worth twenty shillings, a woollen-cloth keverlett worth five pounds, two pairs of wemmen's stockens of violet colour worth six shillings, six shirte-bandes worth ten shillings, a cubbardcloth of "seal" worth ten shillings, a child's vestment called a faceclothe worth seven shillings, a gold ring worth six shillings and eightpence, six woollen-cloth cushinges worth fifty shillings, the valence of a bedd worth three pounds, five woollen-cloth curtens worth thirty shillings, "unum parr geminorum argenti . . . vocat' a paire of bracelettes of silver innamelled ad valenciam xiiis. iiis.," and forty-eight shillings in numbered moneys, of the goods and chattels of the said George Royle. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 38 Eliz.

7 JANUARY, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Paddington co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Johnson and John Balley, both late of London yomen, stole a black woollen-cloth cloak worth twenty shillings, "vnam sarcinam vocat' a Portmantua" worth twelve pence, three linen-cloth shirts worth six shillings, "quatuor collaria panni linei vocat' fallinge bandes ad valenciam iis.," a pair of worstead stockens worth three shillings, and a pair of shoes worth twelve pence, of the goods and chattels of Richard Fitzames (*sic*) gentleman. Over the name

of each thief in the bill appears the clerical memorandum "*Cognovit indictamentum petit librum legit vt clericus signatur cum litera T et deliberatur juxta formam statuti &c.*" = He acknowledged the indictment, asks for the book, reads like a clerk, is marked with the letter T, and is delivered according to the form of the statute &c." This precise description of the Tyburn brand appears for the first time in the rolls of this year. 16 Feb., 38 Eliz.

21 FEBRUARY, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at the parish of Maribone, in the highway called "the footepath" in a field called "Broomefelde," John Nelson late of London yoman assaulted Timothy Bowdrye and robbed him of a pillowbeere worth twelve pence, "*vnum securim vocat' a handebill*" worth twelve pence, and twenty-three pence of numbered money. *Po se non cul nec rec.* G. D. R., 20 Jan., 39 Eliz.

15 MARCH, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, John Tyler late of Westminster yoman feloniously and traitorously coined and counterfeited two pieces of coin of copper and other false and mixed metals, in the image and similitude of the Queen's money called shillings. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that John Tyler put himself 'Guilty'; whereupon it was adjudged that he should be led by the Sheriff of Middlesex to Newgate, and thence should be drawn through the middle of the city of London to the gallows at Tyburn, and be hung on the same gallows (*et abinde per medium civitat' London direct' vsq' ad furcas de tiborne trahatur, Et super furcas illas ibidem suspendatur per collum quousque &c.*)—Together with the Precept of "*Venire Facias*" directed to the Sheriff of Middlesex, for good and loyal men for jurors (showing that the case was taken by itself at the Castell in St. Johnstrete on 27 May 38 Eliz., before Sir Richard Marten knt. and other Justices of the Peace and of Oyer and Terminer), and the list and panel of jurors, this bill is on a separate file. S. S. O. T. 27 May, 38 Eliz.

1 MAY, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Alveria Kellett of the parish of St. Clement's-Danes co. Midd. widow, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 1 May 38 Eliz. to 26th of June then next following. G. D. R., 2 July, 38 Eliz.

7 MAY, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Oldestreete co. Midd. during the night of the said day, James Curke *alias* Lee, late of London yoman, broke burglariously into the house of Philipp Awdasley gentleman, and stole therefrom a woman's black-silk gowne worth eight pounds, two ruffe-bandes, a leather purse with twenty shillings of numbered money in it, and a silver pott worth five pounds. Acknowledging the indictment James Curke was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 38 Eliz.

10 MAY, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Shordiche co. Midd. on the said day, Cristofer Manson and Edward Weste, both late of London yomen, stole six pounds of sugar worth four shillings, eight pounds of cheese worth twenty pence, twenty yards of “cruell gartheringe” worth twenty pence, four pounds of almonds worth twenty pence, and six dozen “poyntes” worth eight pence, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Prentice. Both thieves put themselves ‘Guilty,’ and pleading their clergy, were marked with the letter T and delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., . . . , 38 Eliz.

21 MAY, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the parish of St. Andrew in Highe Holborne co. Midd. on the said day between the hours eight and ten a.m., Samuell Gower late of London gentleman entered the house of Thomas Rooper esq. and stole therefrom a satten dublett worth forty shillings and “vnum par’ calligarum velvetti cum serico ornat’ vocat’ a payre of veluett breches with canyons plucked out with satten valoris quadraginta solidorum.” Acknowledging the indictment, Samuell Gower asked for the book, read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T, and was delivered according to the form of the statute. G. D. R., . . . , 38 Eliz.

29 MAY, 38 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Thomas Flemynge esq. Solicitor-General, of John Holcroft of Kilseth co. Lancaster esq., and of Robert Shawe of Traforde co. Lancaster gentleman, in the sum of one hundred pounds each, and of Gilbert Worsley of London gentleman in the sum of two hundred pounds; For the said Gilbert Worsley’s appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, then and there to answer to such things as may be objected against him. G. D. R., 2 July, 38 Eliz.

29 MAY, 38 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before William Hickman J.P., of Richard Slater of Bishoppe Hattfield co. Hertford yoman, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Richard’s appearance at the next Session of the Peace to be held in Middlesex, to give evidence against Silvester Caulton gentleman. G. D. R., 2 July, 38 Eliz.

8 JUNE, 38 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before George Assebye esq. J.P., of John Gregorie of St. Martin’s-in-the-Fields barbour and William Wright of the same parish cochemaker, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of George Genefer of the same parish joyner, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said George’s appearance at the next Session of Enquiry for Middlesex, to answer “for detayning of lynnens laide to gage, togeather with the principall monys borrowed and the Interest all paide, of the goodes of Peter Rowlandson, and yet the said Genefer kepes the pawn.” G. D. R., 2 July, 38 Eliz.

10 JUNE, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, between

six and seven p.m., on the highway at Southmymmes co. Midd., Lawrence Williams late of London yeoman with a drawn rapier assaulted John Crosby, then being in God's and the Queen's peace, and with malice aforethought slew and murdered the same John Crosby. G. D. R., 11 May, 39 Eliz.

15 JUNE, 38 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Thomas Fowler esq. J.P., of John Ryley of Staple Inne gentleman in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for Midd., to give evidence against Francis More, suspected of felony. G. D. R., 2 July, 38 Eliz.

16 JUNE, 38 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Thomas Fowler esq. J.P., of William Goares of Harberowghe co. Leicester gentleman and Christopher Wilkes of Islington co. Midd. vintener, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of William Watton of Islington "inkeeper," in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said William Watton's appearance at the next Session of the Peace in Middlesex, and in the mean time for his peaceful behaviour. At the foot of the bill, this memorandum,—“Wheatley and this Watton did fight, and there weare fower more with weapons of their companye broughte before me, but whether they weare present wid any thing att their fightinge, it is to be enquired if theye did then make (?) a ryott, and therefore I did binde the six to be of good behaviour.”—Also, on the same file, the recognizances referred to in the aforegiven memorandum. Wheteley *alias* Wheatley was of the parish of Christechurche near Newegate, pewterer. G. D. R., 2 July, 38 Eliz.

16 JUNE, 38 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Wrothe esq. J.P., of Sir Edward Monnynges of Waldisheen (?) co. Kent knt. and his servant John Sanson, in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the said John Sanson's appearance at the next Session of Enquiry at Finsburye. G. D. R., 2 July, 38 Eliz.

27 JULY, 38 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Edward Vaghan esq. J.P., of Henry Hunte of St. Leonard's parish in Shordich gardiner, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Henry's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex, to answer to a charge of “stealinge of artichokes.” G. D. R., 1 Sept., 38 Eliz.

4 AUGUST, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Kentishetowne co. Midd. on the said day, John Freeman late of London yoman stole a grey trottinge geldinge worth five pounds, an amblinge geldinge worth five pounds, a browne baye geldinge worth three pounds, and another castrated horse called “a black nagge” worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Cotten esq. . . . Also, two other indictments (endorsed “Billa Vera”) against the same John Freeman

for thefts committed at Kentishetowne on the same day. G. D. R., 1 Sept., 38 Eliz.

30 SEPTEMBER, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against William Whitinge of Stepney co. Midd. butcher, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 30 Sept. 38 Eliz. to 1 January, then next following. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 39 Eliz.

6 OCTOBER, 38 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against William Bensheforde late of Westminster co. Midd. yoman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 6 Oct. 38 Eliz. to 6 October of the next following year. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 39 Eliz.

23 NOVEMBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Pickthatche co. Midd. on the said day and for six months next before it, Elizabeth Hollande kept a common brothel. Elizabeth Hollande put herself 'Guilty'; and it was adjudged by the Courte that "she shalbe put into a carte at Newgate and be carted with a paper on her hed shewing her offence, from thence to Smythfeilde, from thence to her howse, from thence to Cornehill, from thence to the Standerd in Cheepe, from thence to Bridewell, and all the way basons to be runge before her, at Bridewell to be punished, and from thence to be broughte to Newgate, there to remaine vntill she haue payed a fyne of xli. and put in sewerties for the same, and to be bounde to her good behaviour." G. D. R., 16 Feb., 39 Eliz.

10 DECEMBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Hollowell Streete in St. Leonard's Shoredich co Midd., on view of the body of James Feake, there lying dead: With Verdict that the aforesaid James Feake and a certain Gabriel Spencer late of London yoman were together in the said parish at the dwelling-house of Richard Easte barber, on the 3rd instant between five and six p.m., when they exchanged insulting words, whereupon James Feake, having a copper-candlestick in his right hand, held it with the intention of throwing it at Gabriel Spencer, who, having his rapier in its scabbard, with the same rapier and scabbard gave the said James between the ball of his right eye and the eyebrow a mortal wound, which penetrated to the brain, of which wound the said James Feake languished from the said 3rd inst. at Hollowell Street to the 6th inst., on which last-named day he died of the said wound. G. D. R., 20 Jan., 39 Eliz.

28 DECEMBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Thomas Fowler esq. J.P., of Fulke Rutter of Islington co. Midd. gentleman and Richard Chambers of St. Olive's parish in Sowthwark co. Surrey habberdasher, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the appearance of Margaret Rutter, wife of the said Fulke Rutter, at the next Gaol Delivery, to answer to a suspicion of felony. G. D. R., 20 Jan., 39 Eliz.

30 DECEMBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day in



Paddington co. Midd. on a certain bridge called "Stonebridge," John Moore and Francis Palmer, both late of London yomen, assaulted John Apshawe and robbed him of eight shillings in numbered money. —Also, on the same file, a True Bill against the same two highwaymen, for assaulting Thomas Mawborne at the same Stone Bridge on the same day, and robbing him of eleven shillings and sixpence of numbered money. Putting themselves 'Guilty' of both robberies, both robbers were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 20 Jan., 39 Eliz.

1 JANUARY, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Pickthatche co. Midd. on the said day and through six months next before the same day, Prudence Crispe *alias* Drewrye *alias* Wingfeild kept a common brothel, thereby causing many unlawful assemblies and atrocious riots &c., to the disquiet and scandal of the inhabitants of Pickthatche, and of others the Queen's lieges. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Prudence Crispe was sentenced "to be had to Newgate, and ther to be put into a carte, from thence to be carted to Smithefelde, from thence to her howse, from thence to Cornehill, and from thence to the Standard in Cheepe, so to Bridewell, then to be whipped, then to Newgate and fined at xl li. and to be bounde to her goode behaviour." G. D. R., 20 Jan., 39 Eliz.

7 JANUARY, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Richard Candler esq. J.P., of Walter Medcalfe constable of Norton-folgate co. Midd., in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Walter's appearance at the next Session of the Peace held in Middlesex, "for that he tooke from one William Jackson iii li. in mony a gold ringe and other thinges, when as the said Jackson was sent to prison for suspicion of felloney, and wold deliver him none of his money to releve him in prison, beinge commaunded to doe the same; for that Jackson made his peticon he was redy to famishe in prison for want of releif." G. D. R., 20 Jan., 39 Eliz.

6 FEBRUARY, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the dwelling-house of a certain Thomas Andrewes at Edmonton co. Midd., Joan Gamble late of Edmonton aforesaid secretly gave birth to a male infant, living at the time of birth, and forthwith with the intention of murdering it crushed and broke in the left part of its head, and so murdered it. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Joan Gamble was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 39 Eliz.

11 FEBRUARY, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day, Richard Broomeley and Thomas Bowyer, both late of Clarkenwell co. Midd. yomen, gave to Polidore Longe late of London yoman certain counters of copper called "Cowpers," and by asserting to the same Polidore that the same copper counters were pieces of coined gold, re-

ceived from him ten shillings of lawful money, of which the same Richard and Thomas thus defrauded him. G. D. R., . . . ., 39 Eliz.

13 MARCH, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Pynnor co. Midd. on the said day, Reginald Gurney late of London yoman stole two white sheep worth thirteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Edline. Acknowledging the indictment, Reginald Gurney asked for the book, read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T, and was delivered according to the form of the statute. G. D. R., . . . ., 39 Eliz.

26 MARCH, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Elizabeth Walter (*sic*) of Ickenham co. Midd. spinster and her servant Margaret. . . ., spinster, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from 26 March 39 Eliz. to the 26th of June, then next following.—Also, a similar True Bill on the same file against Anne (*sic*) Pluckett wife of Oliver Pluckett of Highe Holborne co. Midd. yoman *alias* Anne Pluckett of the said place spinster, William Woodfall of Highe Holborne yoman; and Frances Burton widow, James Puddon yoman, and Salomon Lowe cardemaker, all three of St. Leonard's, Shorediche, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, from 25 Dec. 39 Eliz. to 26th of June then next following. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

15 APRIL, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Ralph Waller esq. J.P., of Henry Carter of Westminster co. Midd. chirurgion, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Henry Carter's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex, then and there to prefer a bill of indictment against John George *alias* Jones of St. Johnstreet co. Midd. "for breaking open a box of the said Henry and takinge out of the same a peece of unicorne horne, whiche he valued at forty powndes." G. D. R., 11 May, 39 Eliz.

28 APRIL, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Twickenham co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Prince late of Istleworth co. Midd. shot and killed pigeons with a handgun charged with powder and hailshott, against the form of a certain statute of 2 Edward VI. G. D. R., 11 May, 39 Eliz.

4 MAY, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Islington co. Midd. on view of the body of William Thomas, late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the night of the 3rd inst. between eleven and twelve p.m. the said William Thomas, in a certain highway at Islington leading towards Highgate, lay in wait for a certain John Cornelis late of London cowper, and with his sword drawn made an assault on him with the intention of murdering him, whereupon the said John Cornelis having in his hand a weapon called "a birding piece," charged with gonpowder and

haleshott, in self-defence and for the preservation of his life discharged the said piece in the breast of the said William Thomas, thereby giving the same William a mortal wound of which he died instantly. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

15 MAY, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Harrison, late of London yoman stole a baye gelding worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Sandes esq. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

17 MAY, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Richard Candler esq. J.P., of John Godfry of Endfield co. Midd. laborer, in the sum of ten pounds; For the appearance of his wife, Agnes Godfrey, at the next Session of the Peace in Middlesex, to answer &c. "for that she is accused by certaine of the neighbours for suspicion of witchcraft." G. D. R., 17 June, 39 Eliz.

18 MAY, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in a certain close called Bastian's Close in the parish of St. Giles-without-Creplegate on the said day, Edward Harwood late of London gentleman assaulted Adam Crosby gentleman, and then and there with a sword gave him a mortal blow, of which he died instantly. On his arraignment Edward Harwood put himself 'Not Guilty' of murder, but 'Guilty' of manslaughter, and on asking for the book read like a clerk, whereupon he was branded with the letter T, and delivered according to the statute &c. G. D. R., 17 June, 39 Eliz.

7 JUNE, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Sowthmymys co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Shelley late of London yoman, stole a white-grey gelding worth three pounds, of the goods and chattels of Francis Normans.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill that, at Sowthmymys co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Shelley late of London yoman stole a brown mare worth thirty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Smytheson.—Acknowledging both indictments, Thomas Shelley was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 17 June, 39 Eliz.

9 JUNE, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within the Gaol of Newgate, on view of the body of William Foorde, late of London yoman: With Verdict, that the said William died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes," after a day's illness. G. D. R., 17 June, 39 Eliz.

20 JUNE, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of John Preston late of London yeoman: With Verdict that the said John died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyning sicknes" on the said 20th inst., after a fortnight's illness. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

20 JUNE, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Highe Holborne co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Tompson late of London yoman

stole a woollen-clothe cloak of "myngle collour" worth thirty shillings, and a rapiour worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Edward Giles. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

20 JUNE, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jo. Croke J.P. Recorder of London, of George Scarlett of St. Giles's-without-Creplegate merchant taylor and John Harrison of St. Sepulchre's co. Midd. taylor, in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the appearance of Elizabeth Jones, wife of Richard Jones of St. Sepulchre's aforesaid clothworker, at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

22 JUNE, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at High Holborne on the said day, Thomas Goddard, John Cooper, John Younge and Nycholas Symons, all late of London yomen, stole "a payre of satten hose laced over with golde lace, colour flameculler" worth thirty pounds, of the goods and chattels of John Fitzwilliams gentleman. G. D. R., 27 JULY, 39 Eliz.

14 JULY, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Margaret Yardly late of London spinster: With Verdict that she died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyning sicknes" on the said 14th inst., after three weeks' of illness. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

19 JULY, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Jno. Croke J.P. Recorder of London, John Wrighte of St. Dunstan's-in-the-West of London sadler and Laurence Lee of the parish of St. Laurence Poultny cloth-worker, in the sum of fifty pounds each, and of Thomas Tomlinson of St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. sadler, in the sum of one hundred pounds; For the said Thomas's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

22 JULY, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of John Yonge, late of London yeoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that on the said 22nd inst. John Yonge died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyneinge sicknes," after a month's illness. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

23 JULY, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of John Carter, late of London yeoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said John died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyning sicknes" on the said 23rd inst. after a week's illness. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

24 JULY, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of Thomas Ashmore, late of London yeoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Thomas died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyning sicknes" on the 23rd inst., after six days of illness. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

28 JULY, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol, on view of the body of John Oldham late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said John died in the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge disease" on the 27th inst., after four days of illness. G. D. R., 27 July, 39 Eliz.

3 AUGUST, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Giles's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, Helen Spokes spinster *alias* Helen wife of William Spokes of the said parish practised certain impious and detestable arts, called witchcraftes enchauntementes charmes and soceries, against and upon Anne Whitworthe the wife of James Whitworthe of the said parish, from which the said Anne sickened and languished till the 13th day of the same month, when she died of the same arts. Po se non cul nec rec. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 39 Eliz.

10 AUGUST, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the parish of St. Dunstan-in-le-West of London on the said day, George Knappe, Michael Ballett and Roger Marshall, all late of London yomen, assaulted Richard Holderneyes late of London yoman, being in God's and the Queen's peace, and that Roger Marshall with a sword gave the said Holderneyes on his left breast a mortal wound, of which he languished at St. Andrew's in Holborn from the said 10th of August to the 15th of September then next following, when he died of the said blow ; and that George Knappe and Michael Ballett were present at the said murder, and aiding and abetting Roger Marshall to commit it. George Knappe and Roger Marshall were at large : Michael Ballett, putting himself 'Not Guilty' of murder but 'Guilty' of manslaughter, asked for the book, read like a clerk and was marked with the letter T, but was remanded by the Court for good sureties, for his good behaviour. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

22 AUGUST, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken at Salop co. Salop before Sir William Peryam knt. Chief Baron of the Exchequer and Mathew Ewens one of the Barons of the Exchequer (the Queen's Justices for taking the Assize of Gaol Delivery in co. Salop) of Phillip de Smethcott of co. Salop gentleman, Richard Lloyd of Hardewick co. Salop gentleman, and William Wellyns of Wescott co. Salop gentleman, in the sum of one hundred marks each, and of Richard Phillippes of Smethcott co. Salop gentleman, in the sum of two hundred pounds ; For the said Richard Phillippes's appearance at the next General Gaol Delivery of Newgate to be held after the 9th of October next coming, then and there to answer to those things that may be objected against him. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 40 Eliz.

24 AUGUST, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. on the said day, John Travers late of the said parish vintener

stole two hundred and twelve yards of woollen cloth called "Checkers" worth . . . , ninety yards of black Irishe rugges worth . . . , certain Irish mantles worth forty shillings, thirty yards of woollen cloth (panni lanei) called "Whyte Cotten" worth . . . , and forty yards of woollen cloth called "Whyte Celter." G. D. R., 7 Oct., 39 Eliz.

26 AUGUST, 39 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of William Gibbes, late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said William died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pininge sickness" on the 25th inst., after six days of illness. G. D. R., . . . , 39 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hollowell in St. Leonard's of Shoredich on the said day, Daniel Burney *alias* Burnewell late of London alien assaulted Rachel Delalander, an infant of seven years in age, "et eandem Rachaelem tunc et ibidem felonice rapuit, defloravit et carnaliter cognovit." Putting himself 'Guilty,' Daniel Burney was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 Oct., 39 Eliz.

27 SEPTEMBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Henry Thoresby esq. J.P., of John South of Southwark co. Surrey card-maker ; For the said John South's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace in Middlesex,—“for that he the sayd John, having an other wief, was suspiciously taken in a chamber with one Elizabeth Greene.” G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 39 Eliz.

30 SEPTEMBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Henry Thoresby esq. J.P., of John Ellis of London citizen and freemason ; For the said John's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace for Middlesex, to answer to what shall be then and there objected against him by Margaret Showard. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 39 Eliz.

2 OCTOBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Sunberye co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Beckenfeilde late of London yoman stole "a blewe cow" worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Gosten. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 40 Eliz.

16 OCTOBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Mathew Dale and Richard Blunte esqs., J.P., of Edward Holmes jun<sup>r</sup>. of Dand (? Dane) Inne co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of two hundred pounds, and of Edward Holmes (father of the said Edward Holmes jun<sup>r</sup>.) of the parish of Christchurche in London freemason and Edward Robartes of Whitechappell co. Midd. freemason, in the sum of one hundred pounds each ; For the appearance of the said Edward Holmes jun<sup>r</sup>. at the next Gaol Delivery to be held in Middlesex, then and there to answer to those things that shall be objected against him. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 40 Eliz.

16 OCTOBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Mathew Dale and Richard Blunte esqs. and J.P., of Henry Riche of All Saints'-in-Breadstreate merchant, in the sum of two hundred pounds, and of William Riche (brother of the said Henry) haberdasher and William Prastley merchant, both of All Saints'-in-Breadstreate, in the sum of one hundred pounds each; For the said Henry Riche's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex, then and there to answer to such things as shall be objected against him. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 40 Eliz.

26 OCTOBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir John Popham knt. Chief Justice &c., of Thomas Skriven of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. gentleman and Henry Kellawaie of St. Sepulchre's in London, in the sum of ten pounds each; For their appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for the city of London and the county of Middlesex, to give evidence against Richard Webbe, suspected of "stealing from the Earle of Rutlandes certeine parcels of linnen." G. D. R., 1 Dec., 40 Eliz.

28 OCTOBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, John Goode late of London yoman stole "*vnam peciam auri vocat' a Soueraigne ad valenciam xs.*" and ten shillings in numbered money, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Dennis Devorex. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 40 Eliz.

30 OCTOBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Evan Fludde of Goldingelane co. Midd. porter, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, from the said 30th of Oct. 39 Eliz. to 4 October 41 Elizabeth. G. D. R., . . . , 41 Eliz.

12 NOVEMBER, 39 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Grayes Inne of St. Andrew's in Holborn co. Midd. on the night of the said day between nine and ten p.m., Richard Aunger jun<sup>r</sup>. of the said parish gentleman and his wife Agnes Aunger, and Edward Ingram of the same parish laborer, made an assault on Richard Aunger sen<sup>r</sup>. esq. of Grayes Inne father of the said Richard Aunger jun<sup>r</sup>. aforesaid, and, with the intention of killing him by strangulation, with their hands violently broke, twisted and strangled the neck of the same Richard Aunger sen<sup>r</sup>. esq., so that he then and there died. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Richard Aunger gentleman and his wife Agnes were sentenced to be hung. Of Edward Ingram it is recorded in a clerical note on the bill "*Po se non cul nec rec.*" G. D. R., . . . , 39 Eliz.

24 NOVEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Turmyllstreete co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Edwardes late of London yoman assaulted Robert Chaundler, being then and there in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a knife gave him a mortal blow, of which he languished from the said 24th of November to the 9th of March then

next following at Hendon, on which last-named day he died at Hendon of the said blow. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Edward Edwardes was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

25 NOVEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Bednall-grene co. Midd. on the night of the said day, John Geoffrey *alias* Cowper of London plaisterer broke into the close and house of William Sebright esq. and stole therefrom six hundred pounds weight of sheet lead, worth three pounds six shillings and eight pence. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 40 Eliz.

30 NOVEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against the Lady Katherine Cornewallis wife of Sir . . . Cornewallis of Highe Holborne co. Midd. knt., the Lady Margaret wife of Sir Henry Constable of Clarkenwell co. Midd. knt., and Richard Carrowe gentleman and William Woodfall taylor, both of Highe Holborne aforesaid; For not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from the said 30th of Nov. to 31 May then next following.—Also, similar True Bill against Agnes Mylles of Stanmer co. Midd. spinster and Lucy Cole late of Heston co. Midd. spinster, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer from 26 March 40 Eliz. to 27th of May, then next following. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

1 DECEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Lincolnes Inne Feildes in the parish of St. Dunstain-in-the-West of London and near the highway there on the said day, Thomas Thoresbye late of London gentleman and Roger Fitzhughes late of London gentleman, and Francis Wakefeilde late of London yoman, assaulted and beat Thomas Sone and robbed him of one hundred pounds of numbered money. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Thoresbye gentleman was sentenced to be hung; the other two highwaymen were at large. G. D. R., 29 March, 40 Eliz.

20 JANUARY, 40 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Agnes Knappe late of London spinster, there lying dead: With Verdict that she died in the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes" on the 18th inst. after six days of illness. G. D. R., 29 March, 40 Eliz.

17 FEBRUARY, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Stonebridge in the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields co. Midd., John Frauncis late of London yoman assaulted Samuel Morris, and robbed him of a graye horse worth forty shillings, eight hundred egges worth forty shillings, three dead mallardes worth three shillings, a dead teale worth six-pence, seven dead larkes worth seven pence, two dead hennes worth three shillings, a black woollen-cloth cloak worth nine shillings, and twenty-two pence in numbered money. John Frauncis was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 29 March, 40 Eliz.



17 FEBRUARY, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, James Savadge late of London yoman assaulted William Davies, being in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a sword gave him on the fore part of his head a mortal wound, of which he languished from the said 17th of February to the 8th of March next following, when he died of the said blow at the aforesaid parish. Putting himself 'Not Guilty' of manslaughter, James Savadge put himself 'Guilty' of killing William Davies in self-defence. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Katherine's co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Steward gentleman, John Fynch yoman, William Askewe yoman, and . . . Ballard yoman, all late of London, entered the dwelling-house of John Soper, and stole therefrom a silver-gilt "salte" worth thirty-five shillings, a parcel-gilt silver "bole" worth fifty-two shillings, a silver "bekar" worth forty shillings, a silver cuppe worth thirty-three shillings, another silver "bole" worth thirty-three shillings and eight pence, a dozen silver spoones worth three pounds and thirteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of John Soper; and a parcel-gilt goblett worth fifty shillings of the goods and chattels of Morgain Jones; and a silver-gilt salt worth forty shillings of the goods and chattels of Hugh Whitbrooke. Steward and Finch were sentenced to be hung: the other two thieves were at large. G. D. R., 29 March, 40 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hollowaie in St. Leonard's parish at Shordiche on the said day, Bartholomew Adams yoman, Stephen Caver *alias* Willson yoman, Edmund Graye servant of William Hodgeskins of London baker, Thomas Needeham servant of Andrew Huntingdon of London baker, John Symons servant of William Hodgeskins of London baker, John Hickman servant of Thomas Adlington of Bushe Lane clothworker, and George Acourte of Mary Aldermanburie cordewayner, with other disturbers of the peace to the number of a hundred persons broke riotously into the dwelling-house of John Harris at Hollowaie aforesaid, and injured and broke "the chambers and roomes" of the said house. Bartholomew Adams, Stephen Caver, Thomas Nedeham and John Symons were found 'Guilty'; wherefore it was adjudged by the Court that they should be taken to Newgate, whipt in their Halls (in awlis suis) and remain in prison during the pleasure of the Court. Edmund Graye, John Hickman and George Acorte were found 'Not Guilty.' G. D. R., 29 March, 40 Eliz.

8 MARCH, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's-Danes without the bar of the New Temple on the said day, William Edwardes late of London yoman stole a velvett footeclothe worth five pounds,

and a velvet vestment called "a furniture of hare-coloured velvett" worth six pounds, of the goods and chattels of Nicholas Wrighte. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Edwardes asked for the book, read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T and delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., 29 March, 40 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 40 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Thomas Mantell late of London yeoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Thomas died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes," on the 19th inst., after thirteen days of illness. G. D. R., 29 March, 40 Eliz.

24 MARCH, 40 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Jonas Pierson, there lying dead : With Verdict that the said Jonas died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes" on the 23rd inst. after seven days of illness. G. D. R., 29 March, 40 Eliz.

28 MARCH, 40 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Robert Beckinfield late of St. John's Streete co. Midd. yeoman : With Verdict that the said Robert died within the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes" on the 26th inst. after three weeks of illness. G. D. R., 29 March, 40 Eliz.

7 MAY, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the parish of St. Giles-without-Creplegate on the said day, Robert Hudson late of London gentleman assaulted Simon Askewe "in the feilde on the backside of the Peste House" of the said parish, and with a rapiour gave him on his right breast a blow of which he died instantly. Putting himself 'Not Guilty' of manslaughter, Robert Hudson put himself 'Guilty' of killing in self-defence. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

2 JUNE, 40 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of Anne Arrundell of St Giles's-without-Creplegate, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For her appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, to give evidence against Geoffrey Welsh and his wife Anne and Thomas Norman pewterer and Maria Wills wife of William Wills, "towching poysen geven to children." G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

4 JUNE, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in a certain close of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields near St. James's Park, Edward Griffen late of the said parish locksmith, on the said day between two and three p.m., assaulted John Feylder, being in God's and the Queen's peace, and "did wreste and strangle" the said John, putting his knee on the said John's neck and twisting it until he had murdered him by suffocating him. Confessing the indictment, Edward Griffen was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

4 JUNE, 40 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of Mary Norton of St. Buttolph's-within-Bisshops-gate co. Midd. widow, in the sum of forty pounds; For her appearance at the next Session of the Peace, to give evidence against Robert Weston and Joan Grove, "suspected to be accessarie to the stealing of the Countesse of Rutlandes plate." G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

6 JUNE, 40 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir John Popham knt. Chief Justice &c., of John Warren of St. Andrew's in Holborne haberdasher and Thomas Shelley of the parish of the Savoy co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of fifty pounds each, and of Aron Hollande of the parish of the Savoy co. Midd. inholder, in the sum of one hundred pounds; For the said Aron Hollande's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

10 JUNE, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Katherine's co. Midd. on the said day, John Peirson late of the said place yoman assaulted Thomas Holden, being in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a knife gave him in "his bellie" a blow and wound two thumbs' breadths (*i.e.* inches) in depth and one inch in breadth. Confessing the indictment, John Peirson was fined twenty shillings. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

20 JUNE, 40 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir John Popham knt. Chief Justice &c., of Patrick Derrick of St. Martin's in-the-Fields sadler and Walter Savadge of St. Sepulchre's in London inholder in the sum of fifty pounds each, and of Daniel Savage, one of the serjeants of the Queen's Great Chamber, in the sum of one hundred pounds; For the said Daniel's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for the city of London and the county of Middlesex. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

23 JUNE, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Sheerelane co. Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, John Forster of Sheerelane aforesaid clothworker threw divers unclean matters, called "filthie pottes" and "chamberfilthe," into the said lane. G. D. R., 10 Aug., 40 Eliz.

25 JUNE, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Grayes-Inne-Lane co. Midd. on the said day Hugh Walton late of London yoman assaulted Edmund Ballington, being in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a dagger gave him on his left hand a mortal wound, of which he languished from the said 25th of June to the last day of the same month at Grayes-Inne-Lane, on which last-named day he died of the said wound. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Hugh Walton was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

2 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Chiswellstreete in St.

Giles's parish-without-Creplegate co. Midd. on the said day, John Cooke late of London yoman "*fuit persona otiosus et vagrans vt miles anglie* as a souldiour . . . and had not settled himself in aliquo servicio labore vel alio legitimo cursu vite." John Cooke put himself 'Guilty,' and was remanded before judgment. G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

3 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before George Asshebye esq. J.P., of William Watkins of Creswell co. Hereford yeoman, in the sum of ten pounds, and of Henry Foxe of Westminster co. Midd. yoman and Henry Kettlewood of the same city yeoman in the sum of twenty pounds each ; For the appearance of the same Henry Foxe and Henry Kettlewood at next Session of Enquiry for Middlesex, to answer "touching their behaviour about the matter of arrest and resquor in Mr. Masteres howse at the Bell in Westminster." —Also, Recognizances, taken before the same Justice, for the appearance of David Powell of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields glover and Hugh Adowhurt late of London yeoman at the next Session of the Peace to answer &c. "towching their abuse about an arrest of Henry Kettlewood at the Signn of the Bell in Westminster." G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

7 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—Information, by John Parsons of London yoman, against Hugh Traps of St. James's parish at Clarkenwell co. Midd. gentleman, for keeping on 1 May 40 Elizabeth and nineteen several days between the said 1st of May and the said 7th of July, at the aforesaid parish "a comon howse alley or place of Bowling . . . for his gaine lucre and living." G. D. R., 7 July, 40 Eliz.

8 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stepney co. Midd. by the river Thames on the said day, William Sabyne late of London waterman assaulted William Aberyn, and with a piece of wood called "a scull" gave him on the right part of his head a mortal blow, of which he languished from the said 8th of July until the 25th of the same month, when he died of the same blow. Putting himself 'Guilty' of manslaughter, William Sabyne asked for the book, read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T, and was delivered according to the form of the statute. G. D. R., 10 Aug, 40 Eliz.

10 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's-Danes without the Bars of the New Temple, Mary Dixson late of London spinster broke into the dwelling-house of Edward Price and stole therefrom eighteen fallinge bandes of linen cloth, worth eighteen shillings. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Mary Dixson pleaded pregnancy : found by a jury of matrons to be 'Not Pregnant,' she was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 10 Aug., 40 Eliz.

11 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Croke,

Recorder of London, of William Jones of Lambeth co. Surrey gentleman and Robert Ryche of St. Dunstan's-in-le-West of London taylor, in the sum of forty pounds each, and of Susanna Boulton of St. Botolph's-without-Bishopgate, in the sum of one hundred marks ; For the said Susanna's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., 10 Aug., 40 Eliz.

13 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Croke, Recorder of London, of William Jones of Lambeth co. Surrey gentleman and Robert Ryche of St. Dunstan's-in-le-West of London taylor, in the sum of forty pounds each, and of Jane Jackson of St. Botolph's-without-Bishopgate widow, in the sum of one hundred marks ; For the said Jane's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. G. D. R., 10 Aug., 40 Eliz.

20 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Robert Wrothe esq. J.P., of Henry Sacheverill of Ratclyff co. Nottingham esq. and Thomas Standishe of the county of Lyncoln gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds each, and of John Gaynsford (servant of the said Henry Sacheverill) in the sum of one hundred marks ; For the said John Gaynsford's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex.

25 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on the said day, Thomas Williams late of London yoman assaulted Thomas Connowaye, being in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a knife gave him on the left shoulder a mortal wound, of which he then and there died instantly. Putting himself 'Guilty' of the murder, Thomas Williams was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 10 Aug., 40 Eliz.

27 JULY, 40 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Henry Thoresby esq. J.P., of William Williamson of Stepney co. Midd. "aqua vitæ stiller" and Philip Jones of Milende co. Midd. brazier in the sum of five pounds each, and of William Jones of Stepney afore-said brazier, in the sum of ten pounds ; For the said William Jones's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for Middlesex. G. D. R., 10 Aug., 40 Eliz.

1 AUGUST, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. John's Strete co. Midd. on the said day, Joan Smithe late of London spinster stole two linen-cloth collars called "ruffe bands" worth ten shillings, a leather purse trimmed with golde lace worth two shillings, and forty shillings in numbered money, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Alexander Harrison. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Joan Smithe pleaded pregnancy : found 'Not Pregnant' by a jury of matrons, she was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 10 Aug., 40 Eliz.

5 AUGUST, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, at Holborne co. Midd. on

the night of the said day between eleven and twelve o'clock, Paul Bonton late of London yoman and Margaret Chappell broke burglariously into the house of Richard Wigginton, with the intention of murdering him. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Paul and Margaret were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 10 Aug., 40 Eliz.

9 AUGUST, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Chauncerylane co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Wrighte late of London yoman *alias* Thomas Cope late of London yoman stole "duo cithara ligni vocat' Citharnes" worth thirty shillings, and "six dozen of yellowe wier" worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of George Evattes. Putting himself 'Guilty' of petty larceny, and the jury appraising the chattels at eleven pence, Thomas Wrighte was delivered on payment of the fee. G. D. R., . . . . Oct., 40 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, William Dugdale of the said parish yoman sold "beere and ale" to divers of the Queen's lieges in measures not containing the lawful assize, and on the Lord's Day during time of prayer then and there commonly sold and uttered the same drinks.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill that William Dugdale of the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields co. Midd., on 4 October 40 Elizabeth, assaulted John Burde one of the bailiffs of the liberty of Westminster, when executing his said office in the said parish, in God's and the Queen's peace, and took and rescued from the custody of the said John Burde one Thomas Scoles, taken and arrested by the same John. G. D. R., . . . . Oct., 40 Eliz.

1 SEPTEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hampton co. Midd. on the said day, Reginald Edgerton of the said parish assaulted and beat Thomazine Galloway, "et eandem Thomazinam adtunc et ibidem felonice rapere et carnaliter cognoscere voluisset." Putting himself 'Guilty,' he was fined five pounds and was required to find sureties for his good behaviour. G. D. R., . . . . Oct., 40 Eliz.

15 SEPTEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, within the precinct of St. Katherine co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Mydhouse, Henry Gill, Ralph Cowper, Henry Benson and John Tyler, all late of London yomen, stole nine silver spoons worth three pounds, "vnam peciam auri cuniati vocat' one Elizabeth Royall ad valenciam xs.," one other piece of coined gold called "an Edward half-crowne" worth two shillings and sixpence, and "vnam aliam peciam auri cuniati vocat' an Angell ad valenciam xs.," of the goods, chattels and moneys of Thomas Collett roape-maker. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Thomas Mydhouse, Henry Gill, Ralph Cowper and

Henry Benson were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . . Oct., 40 Eliz.

19 SEPTEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Bednollgrene co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Birde and Edmund Spencer, both late of London yomen, stole two white sheep worth eighteen pence, of the goods and chattels of a certain unknown man, in the said parish. Richard Birde and Edmund Spencer put themselves 'Not Guilty,' and did not retract. G. D. R., . . . . Oct., 40 Eliz.

22 SEPTEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Benjamin Johnson, late of London yoman, for killing Gabriel Spencer in the fields of Shorediche on the said day. For the particulars of this indictment, *vide* The Preface of the present volume. G. D. R., . . . Oct., 40 Eliz.

28 OCTOBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hoxton co. Midd. in the night of the said day between ten and eleven o'clock, Robert Moseley, Edward Robson and Richard Johnson, all late of London yomen, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Jerom Bassano gentleman, and stole therefrom a golde cheyne worth twenty-four pounds, a paire of bracelettes of golde worth twelve pounds, eight golde ringes worth forty pounds, "vnam peciam auri vocat' a Jewell of Golde ad valenciam vi li. xiiis."; and seventeen pounds in numbered money. Edward Robson was at large; Robert Mosley po' se' non cul' nec rec'. G. D. R., 23 May, 41 Eliz.

4 NOVEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day, William Marlowe late of London yoman stole "a heafer" of black colour worth four pounds, of the goods and chattels of Richard Edwardes. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Marlowe asked for the book, and reading like a clerk was marked with the letter T, and delivered in accordance with the statute.

9 NOVEMBER, 40 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Chauncerylane co. Midd. on the said day, John Warberton late of London gentleman stole a woollen-cloth "cushinge" of divers colours worth ten pence, of the goods and chattels of John Bevington. Putting himself 'Guilty' of petty larceny, John Warberton gentleman was delivered on payment of the fee.

17 NOVEMBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway of the parish of St. Clement-Danes without the Bars of the New Temple co. Midd. on the said day, Peter Bettsworth, John Millward and Thomas Kyndesley, all late of London gentlemen, assaulted John Stanley, struck him down, robbed him of a watchett-coloured woollen-cloth cloak worth twenty shillings, a leather purse worth four pence, and thirty pounds being in the same purse, and then put the body of

the same John Stanley into a certain fountain full of water in the same highway, so that he was suffocated and drowned, and died instantly in the said water on the said 17th of November; And Further, that, knowing them to have perpetrated the said felony, Henry Roffe (?) late of London gentleman received aided and comforted the said Peter Bettesworthe, John Millward and Thomas Kyndesley on the 18th of Nov. 41 Eliz., at the aforesaid parish. Putting himself 'Not Guilty,' Peter Bettesworth was acquitted; John Millward and Thomas Kyndesley were at large; Henry Roffe (?) was exonerated on account of Peter Bettesworth's acquittal. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 43 Eliz.

20 NOVEMBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Thomas Knighton late of St. Clement's-Danes without the Bars of the New Temple gentleman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer from the said 20 Nov. 41 Eliz. to 1 Feb. then next following. With an endorsement that the bill was taken at G. S. P. on the 19th of April 41 Eliz.; and at the bill's foot the memorandum, "*Proclamacio facta est juxta formam statuti.*" G. D. R., 20 Ap., 41 Eliz.

1 DECEMBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stanes co. Midd. on the said day, Katherine Rawdin late of the said parish spinster beat wounded and maimed Barbara Herne, a female infant aged ten months. G. D. R., 23 May, 41 Eliz.

2 DECEMBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hampstead on the said day, James Lumbert, Thomas Cooper and Richard Ardington, all late of London yomen, stole two red cows worth six pounds, of the goods and chattels of William Ewer. Each of the three thieves confessed the indictment (*cognovit indictament*): James Lumberte and Thomas Cooper were sentenced to be hung; after asking for the book and reading like a clerk, Richard Ardington was marked with the letter T and delivered according to the form of the Statute (*sign' cum ira T et del juxta formam statuti*). G. D. R., 20 Ap., 41 Eliz.

12 DECEMBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in a room of the dwelling-house of James Lovegrove at Braneford co. Midd. on the said day between one and two p.m., Agnes Charche late of London spinster gave birth to a male infant, living at the time of birth, and forthwith then and there with her hands, twisted and broke the neck of the said infant. *Po' se' non cul' nec rec'*. G. D. R., 18 Jan., 41 Eliz.

21 DECEMBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that John Allen, Robert Moseley, Thomas Hutchins and Anthony Jarrett, all late of London yomen, with malice aforethought, at Hackney co. Midd. on the said day, assaulted a certain William Holmes, and that John Allen with "a longestaffe" then and there gave the said William on his head a mortal wound, of which he died instantly, and that the aforesaid Robert, Thomas and Anthony were present at the said murder, inciting the said



John to commit it. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' John Allen and Robert Moseley were sentenced to be hung; Thomas Hutchins and Anthony Jarrett were at large. G. D. R., 23 May, 41 Eliz.

24 DECEMBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, John Edge late of London yoman stole "fyve yardes and a halfe of Denshire cloth color' blushe coullour" worth eighteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of Richard Gryffen. G. D. R., 18 Jan., 41 Eliz.

1 JANUARY, 41 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of Ales Johnes of Theames-street London, in the sum of one hundred pounds, "That she shall preferre or cause to be preferred one bill of Inditement againste one David Johnes of Abergeynie in the county of Monmouth yeoman, for a supposed murther by him committed vppon one Thomas Johnes her brother some thirtie yeares past or thereaboutes in the Countie of Monmouthe aforesaide, at the nexte Sessions of Gaole Deliuerye to be helde in the county of Midds. aforsayde." G. D. R., 14 Feb., 41 Eliz.

8 JANUARY, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, between six and seven o'clock in the night of the said day, Owyn Vaughan late of London yoman, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of the Lady the now Queen at St. James's Parke in the parish of St. Martin-in-the-Fields co. Midd., the said Lady the Queen being at the time in the said house, and stole therefrom nine linen sheets worth four pounds, three linen tablecloths worth twenty shillings, a linen pillobeere worth twelve pence, and divers other pieces of linen cloth worth four shillings, of the goods and chattels of the Honourable Frances the Lady Burghes at St. James's Parke. G. D. R., 18 Jan., 41 Eliz.

20 JANUARY, 41 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Eastsmithfeilde co. Midd., on view of the body of William Clement late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that, on the 19th instant between eleven and twelve a.m., a certain John Aldersey was in his own house at Eastsmithfeilde aforesaid, in God's and the Queen's peace, when the aforesaid William Clement, armed with sword and dagger, broke in upon him and assailed him with those weapons; and that in the affray thus forced upon him, John Aldersey, fighting in self-defence and for the preservation of his life, with his sword gave William Clement in the left side of his breast a mortal wound, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 14 Feb., 41 Eliz.

22 FEBRUARY, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of Stebunheathe co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Browne late of the said parish gentleman feloniously and traitorously clipt and diminished twenty pieces of the said Queen's true and lawful coin called sixe-

pences, and twenty other pieces of money of the same Queen's true and lawful coin called shillings. Taken at the Castle in St. Johnstreete co. Midd. on 20th May, 41 Eliz. At the foot of the Bill, a memorandum that "afterwards, towit at a Session of Oyer and Terminer held at the Castell in Seint Johnstrete co. Midd. on 23 May, 41 Eliz., before Sir Robert Wrothe knt., Sir Richard Marten knt., and Nicholas Collyn, Henry Thuresby (*sic*) and Edward Vaughan esqs., Justices of the Peace &c. &c. Robert Browne put himself 'Not Guilty,' and did not retract." S. S. O. T., 20th and 23rd May, 41 Eliz.

2 MARCH, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Giles-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Richardson late of London yoman assaulted Anthony Dunne late of London yoman, and with a rapieur gave him in the left side of his breast a mortal wound of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 20 April, 41 Eliz.

8 MARCH, 41 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Vincent Skynner esq. J.P., of William Nutt baker and Thomas Cole alebruer, both of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd., in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of William Dugdale of the same parish alebruer, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said William Dugdale's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace at Westminster, to answer to all things that may be then and there objected against him. G. S. P. R., Easter, 41 Eliz.

9 MARCH, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Higheholborne co. Midd. on the said day Thomas Hungerford late of Barnard's-Inne in London gentleman assaulted Bartholomew Graye late of London gentleman, and with a rapieur gave the said Bartholomew on his right shoulder a mortal wound, of which he then and there died instantly. On his arraignment Thomas Hungerforde put himself 'Not Guilty' of manslaughter, but 'Guilty' of killing in self-defence. G. D. R., 23 May, 41 Eliz.

10 MARCH, 41 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Blounte esq. J.P., of . . . . Roberte of Whitechappell marchant-vintner, and William Garrett of the same parish tayller, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of John Calleri of the same parish marchant-vintner, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Calleri's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace at Westminster, then and there to answer &c., he "beinge charged by Ralfe Suertis of Whitchappell vintner to have commytted audolterie with Grace Suertis his wyfe." G. S. P. R., Easter, 41 Eliz.

27 MARCH, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that Hugh Powell and Thomas Deapes, both late of London yomen, in the night of the said day between eleven and twelve o'clock, at St. Martin's-in-the-Field co. Midd., broke burglariously into the house of Thomas Knighte clerk,

and stole therefrom a tablecloth worth five shillings, and a napkin worth twelve pence. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Deapes was sentenced to be hung : holding himself mute, Hugh Powell was committed to the peine forte et dure. Mut' se tenet Ideo cons p' Cur' qd' h'eat penam fort' et durum." G. D. R., 20 April, 41 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Ruyslippe co. Midd. on the said day, John Smithe late of the said parish gentleman entered the church of the same parish, and there disturbed and molested Henry Studley clk., priest of the same parish, when he was about to administer and celebrate the divine sacrament, and moreover threw down and abused the blessed sacrament of the body of the Lord Jesus Christ. G. D. R., 20 April, 41 Eliz.

12 APRIL, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Katherine's co. Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Margaret Sutton, wife of William Sutton of Radcliffe co. Midd., committed adultery with Thomas Kidwell late of London yoman. G. D. R., . . . , 41 Eliz.

1 MAY, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the night of the said day, Silvester Niccolles late of London yoman broke into the dwelling-house at Grayes Inne co. Midd. of William Milles esq., and stole therefrom a man's tawney-coloured gowne, laide downe with lace, worth eight pounds, of the goods and chattels of Richard Dallidowne gentleman. Cognovit indictamentum, Sus. D. G. R., . . . , 41 Eliz.

9 MAY, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Knightsbridge co. Midd. on the said day, William Fetherstone late of the said parish yoman and . . . his wife, otherwise styled Elizabeth Fetherstone of the said parish spinster, "seipos vocantes Egiptianos adtunc et ibidem per spacium trium dierum felonice fuerunt continuaverunt et remanserunt &c." At the bill's foot this clerical memorandum, "Indictamentum Insufficiens p' Cur'." G. D. R., 23 May, 41 Eliz.

15 MAY, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fincheley co. Midd. on the said day, in a place of the said parish called Colefall, Freman Norton *alias* Avery late of Fincheley aforesaid tayler assaulted Robert Haynes, being in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a handbill murdered the said Robert by giving him on the left part of his head a wound, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 23 May, 41 Eliz.

23 MAY, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill, on the highway at Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, James Metcalfe late of London yoman assaulted Simon Smithe, and with a rapiour gave the same Simon on his left side a wound, of which he then and there died instantly. Putting himself 'Guilty,' James Metcalfe was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 41 Eliz.

28 MAY, 41 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before John Grange

esq. J.P., of Ezekiel Grosse of Lyons Inne co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of Anne Vaughan, wife of . . . Vaughan of St. Clement's-Danes co. Midd., at the next Session of the Peace, to answer to all things that shall then and there be objected against her, "suspected to be a lewde and incontinent woman."—Also, on the same file, the recognizances, taken on the same day before the same magistrate, of Ezekiel Grosse of Lyons Inne co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds, and of Richard Dagge of St. Kene co. Cornwall, gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Richard Dagge's appearance at the next Session of the Peace for Middlesex, to answer &c. "for incontinence with one Anne Vaughan." G. D. R., . . . 41 Eliz.

— JUNE, 41 ELIZABETH.—Forty several True Bills, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, against the following forty-two persons,—(1) William Smyth of Shordich yoman, (2) Thomas Vachell late of St. Clement's Danes gentleman, (3) Katherine Smyth of Shorediche spinster, (4) Thomas Burre of Shordich yeoman, (5) Elizabeth Abbs wife of Thomas Abbs of Shorediche, (6) Thomas Abbs late of Shordich, (7) Winifred Williams late of Whitechapell, (8) Thomas Gawen late of Westminster gentleman, (9) Edmund Tayler late of Edmonton gentleman, (10) Nicholas Crudde late of Goldinglane in St Giles's without Creplegate yoman, (11) Margaret Webbe late of St. Dunstan's-in-the-West, (12) John Standen late of St. Dunstan's-in-the-West gentleman, (13) Arden Waferer late of St. Clement's Danes, (14) . . . Rosecarrett of St. Clement's Danes esq., (15) Nicholas Bosgrave of St. Clement's-Danes gentleman, (16) Lucie Smyth of St. Clement's Danes spinster, (17) . . . Lady Mounteagle late of Hoggesdon co. Midd., (18) Launcelett Porter late of St. Margaret's Westminster gentleman, (19) Jane Shelley of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields widow, (20) Thomas Churchyarde of St. Margaret's Westminster gentleman, (21) Isabel Fortescue of St. Botolph's-without-Bishopsgate, (22) Elizabeth Lady Huddleston of St. Botolph's-without-Bishopsgate, (23) John Reason of St. Margaret's Westminster yoman, (24) William Page of St. Margaret's Westminster gentleman, (25) Isaack Allen of St. Margaret's Westminster yoman, (26) Henry Carye of St. Margaret's Westminster gentleman, (27) William Brasheforde late of St. Margaret's Westminster yoman, (28) Robert Lunne late of St. Margaret's Westminster yoman, (29) Patrick Seagrave late of St. Margaret's Westminster yoman, (30) Richard Carrowe late of St. Andrew's Holborne gentleman, (31) Andrra (*sic*) Gifforde wife of William Gifforde, late of Northall co. Midd. gentleman, (32) William Goodaker late of St. Andrew's Holborne barber and (33) his wife Anne "nuper de eadem spinster," (34) Alice Nashe late of St. Johnstreete in St. Sepulchre's

widow, (36) Agnes Cole late of Heston co. Midd. spinster, (37) Thomas Pallmere, . . . gentleman, (38) Margaret Webbe . . . , (39) Alice Plunkett . . . widow, (40) William Woodfall . . . , (41) George Dethicke . . . , and (42) . . . spinster.—Four of these persons are indicted by two bills, but each of the other thirty-eight bills is a bill against a single individual. At the foot of each bill appears the clerical memorandum "*Proclamatio facta est juxta formam statuti &c.*" All the offenders are indicted for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer for *six* months; but whilst some of the offenders are charged with avoiding church &c. from the roth of June 41 Eliz. others are indicted for neglecting common worship from the last day of that month. That these bills were part of a Goal Delivery Roll appears from a remaining fragment of their original wrapper; and the roll must have been a roll of the Queen's 42nd year. But they are placed with the rolls of the earlier year, and must be sought for in G. D. R. . . . , 41 Eliz.

9 JUNE, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster on the said day, Robert Sekes late of London yoman stole a silver "*bole*" worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the Most Noble the Lord Mountacute.—*Po se cul ca null petit librum legit vt clericus sign' cum lra T Et del' juxta formam statuti Et postea rep<sup>r</sup>. p' Cur. pro b. g.* G. D. R., . . . , 41 Eliz.

28 JUNE, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Norton-follgate co. Midd. on the said day, Elizabeth Crowe late of London spinster stole a piece of silver called "*a silver toothpicker*" worth three pence, another piece of silver called "*a silver earepicker*" worth three pence, a parcel-gilt silver ring worth twelve pence, and five shillings of numbered money, of the goods, chattels and moneys of William Denbye. Putting herself '*Guilty*' of petty larceny, the chattels being appraised by the Jury at eleven-pence and a half-penny, Elizabeth Crowe was discharged on payment of the fee. G. D. R., . . . , 41 Eliz.

22 JULY, 41 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of Robert Rove and John Crane, both of Graies Inne gentlemen, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Elizabeth Welshe of Graies-Inne-lane widow, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Elizabeth's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, then and there to answer &c., she being "*charged to have stolen Fitzherbert's Abbridgment at large out of the library in Graies Inne.*" G. D. R., . . . , 41 Eliz.

28 JULY, 41 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of Joseph Lyngley of Forsterlane London goldsmith, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Joseph's appearance at

the next Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his good behaviour, because "he was taken by Mr. Nicholson in a lewde house." G. D. R., . . . , 41 Eliz.

6 OCTOBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of Gilbert Trobrige of the Middle Temple in London gentleman and . . . of the parish of St. Clement Danes co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Joan Blood in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Joan Blood's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace at Westminster, and in the mean time for her peaceful bearing towards all people, and more especially towards Joan Owen of High Holborne spinster. G. S. P. R., Easter, 42 Eliz.

6 OCTOBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of Gilbert Trobridge of the Middle Temple in London gentleman and William Perkins of the parish of Clement-Danes co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Barnard Lupton of High Holborne gentleman, in the sum of forty pounds; For the appearance of the said Barnard Lupton and his wife at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for their peaceful bearing towards all people, and more especially towards Joan Owen of High Holborne spinster. G. S. P. R., Easter, 42 Eliz.

24 OCTOBER, 41 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Goldinge Lane in the parish of St. Giles's-without-Creplegate co. Midd., Richard More late of London gentleman and Nicholas Garland . . . assaulted Henry Heard, and that with a dagger the said Richard More slew the same Henry Heard by giving him on the right side of his head a mortal blow, of which he died on the 3rd of November then next following. G. D. R., . . . , 43 Eliz.

30 NOVEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Pancras on the said day, George Hemsworthe late of . . . assaulted Henry Burnarde . . . , and with a rapieur gave the same Henry in his left side a mortal wound, of which he died on the said day. G. D. R., 14 Feb., 42 Eliz.

1 DECEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Christofer Chyme late of London yoman and Magdalen Gibson (the wife of Richard Gibson of the aforesaid parish yoman) have committed adultery. G. D. R., 17 Jan., 42 Eliz.

6 DECEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Grayes Inne Lane co. Midd. between eleven and twelve in the night of the said day, John Mathewę and Tobias Mathewe, both late of London gentlemen, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Elie Dewell widow and stole therefrom six yards of satten "coloris Lyon Haie" worth three

pounds, a red woollen-cloth petticoat worth twenty shillings, and a silk purse worth twelve pence, of the goods and chattels of the said Elie Dewell. G. D. R., 14 Feb., 42 Eliz.

8 DECEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True bill that, at Mylend in the parish of Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Jacob late of London yoman assaulted Mary Corey, an infant of the age of three years, “et ipsam Mariam Corey tunc et ibidem rapuit defloravit et . . . carnaliter cognovit.” G. D. R., 17 Jan., 42 Eliz.

23 DECEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of Henry Asheley of Westminster esq., and William Sommerton of Porton co. Wiltes. gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of John Browne of Westminster yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Browne's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people, and especially towards Mathew Royden of Westminster clerk. G. S. P. R., Easter, 42 Eliz.

23 DECEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of William Sommerton of Porton co. Wiltes. gentleman and Venus Hudson late of . . . , in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Henry Asheley (one of Her Majesty's Gentlemen Pentioners-in-ordinary) esq., in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Henry Asheley's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace for Middlesex, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people, and especially towards Mathew Royden of Westminster clerk. G. S. P. R., Easter, 42 Eliz.

23 DECEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J. P., of Henry Asheley (one of Her Majesty's gentlemen pentioners) gentleman, and William Sommerton of Porton co. Wiltes. gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Thomas Asheley of Westminster gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Thomas Asheley's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing towards all people and especially towards Mathew Royden of Westminster clerk. G. S. P. R., Easter, 42 Eliz.

2 JANUARY, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of Thomas Foxall grocer and William Foxall grocer, both of the parish of St. Benedict Gracechurche, London, in the sum of twenty pounds each; For the appearance of William Ridge of Clareley co. Salop yeoman at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, he being under “suspicion of a frenche silver cuppe stolne at the Whyte Lyon Taverne in Highe Holborne.” G. D. R., 14 Feb., 42 Eliz.

28 JANUARY, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Clerkenwell co. Midd. on the night of the said day, George Collins yoman, Richard

Cholmeley gentleman and William Greene gentleman, all three late of the aforesaid parish, broke into the dwelling-house of Thomas Bedingefelde esq., and stole therefrom an iron chest worth ten shillings and a hundred pounds of money in the same chest. Putting themselves 'Not Guilty,' the three prisoners were remanded. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

3 FEBRUARY, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Strond in the parish of St. Clement Danes without the Bars of the New Temple and in the highway there, on the said day, James Bell late of London yoman assaulted William Richards, then being in God's and the Queen's peace, and drawing his dagger threw it at him, so that the weapon gave the said William Richards on the right knee a mortal wound, of which he died on the 16th of March then next following. Putting himself 'Guilty,' he asked for the book, could not read and was remanded by the Court before judgment. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

25 FEBRUARY, 42 ELIZABETH.—True bill that, at Norton-folgate co. Midd. on the said day, John Gervis late of the said parish yoman and his wife Margaret Gervis assaulted and beat Edward Nicollson, Provismarshall of the said county, when he was in the execution of his office. G. D. R., 4 April, 42 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington co. Midd. on the said day, Catherine Cadmore late of London spinster stole a hattbande of pearle worth thirty shillings, a purse of cloth of silver worth ten shillings, a satten pynpillowe imbrodered with golde worth six shillings, a pair of keye-hangers of silke sett with pearle worth thirteen shillings and four pence, a black safegard . . . . worth three shillings and four pence, a silver whiste (*sic*, ? whistle) worth eight pence, a silver "harte" worth eighteen pence, a silke-girdle worth two shillings, "vnam peciam auri vocat' a quarter-angel" worth two shillings and sixpence, "vnam aliam peciam auri vocat' a Sovereigne ad valenciam xs.," and "vnam aliam peciam auri vocat' a Supurryall ad valenciam xs.," and twenty-nine shillings in numbered money, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Christofer Woodhouse gentleman. G. D. R., 4 April, 42 Eliz.

5 MARCH, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Maribone co. Midd. on the said day, William Gooderidge late of London yoman assaulted John Hylton on the highway, and robbed him of a grey horse worth thirty pounds, of the goods and chattels of the Most Noble Alice the Countess-Dowager of Derby, when the said horse was in the custody of the same John Hylton gentleman.—Also, on the same file, a True Bill against the same highwayman, William Gooderidge, for assaulting James Hylton gentleman on the highway at Maribone co. Midd., on the same 5 March 42 Eliz. and robbing him of a goyld ringe worth



ten shillings, a dagger worth ten shillings and forty-five shillings in numbered money. G. D. R., 4 April, 42 Eliz.

11 MARCH, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Nicholas Collyns esq. J.P., of Richard Fletcher of the city of Norwich pewterer, in the sum of ten pounds; For the said Richard's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, to give evidence against William Haukins, "charged with a purse taken at a play at the Curten with xxvis. *vid.* in it." G. S. P. R., Easter, 42 Eliz.

16 MARCH, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Islington co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Sydall late of London yoman stole a baldefaced baye ambluge geldinge worth eight pounds, and a baye trottinge Geldinge worth nine pounds, of the goods and chattels of George Awsten gentleman. G. D. R., 4 April, 42 Eliz.

19 MARCH, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Nicholas Collyns esq. J.P., of William Acland yeoman and William Grene baker, both of St. Giles's-without-Creplegate, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of William Haukins of the same parish barber, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said William Haukins's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, he being "charged with a purse taken at the Curten." G. S. P. R., Easter, 42 Eliz.

25 MARCH, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Edward Vaghan esq. J.P., of Francis Berridge of Oriel College, Oxford, gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Francis Berridge's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex. G. D. R., 4 April, 42 Eliz.

25 MARCH, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Edward Vaghan esq. J.P., of Hugh Holland M.A. of Trinitie College, Cambridge, in the sum of two hundred pounds; For his appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex. G. D. R., 4 April, 42 Eliz.

25 MARCH, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Edward Vaghan esq. J.P., of Lewis Tresham of London gentleman, in the sum of one hundred pounds; For the said Lewis Tresham's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery for Middlesex, then and there to answer &c. G. D. R., 4 April, 42 Eliz.

26 MARCH, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against Robert Cattesbye, late of St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. esq., for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer during the six months next following the said 26 March 42 Eliz.—Similar True Bill against Robert Hare late of St. Leonard's in Shorediche gentleman, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer during the aforesaid term.—Similar True Bill against Katherine Rooper late of St. Andrew's in Holborne spinster *alias* Katherine Rooper wife of William Rooper of the said parish esq., for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer during the same term.—Similar True Bill against

William Perrye, late of St. Andrew's in Holborne gentleman, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer during the same term.—True Bill against Henry Harte late of Clarkenwell gentleman, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, during the two months next following the first of a month (no longer discoverable from the blackened parchment) of 42 Eliz.—Similar True Bill against John Gardynor of Islington gentleman, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, during the three months next following the 10th of April, 42 Eliz.—Similar True Bill against Anne Williamson of Islington spinster *alias* Anne Williamson wife of . . . Williamson of the said parish gentleman, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer during the three months next following 10 April 42 Eliz.—These seven Bills (on each of which appears the official memorandum of proclamation) have passed at some time or other from broken files to G. D. R., 17 Jan., 42 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Sir John Peyton knt., Lieutenant of the Tower of London, and Thomas Fowler, Tobias Woode, Edward Vaghan and Henry Thoresby esqs., Justices of the Peace, of John Wolf of Eastsmithfeild co. Midd. stationer, in the sum of forty pounds; The condition of the recognizance being “that, whereas the abovebounden John Wolf hathe begun to erecte and builde a Playhowse in Nightingale Lane near East Smithefeilde aforesaid contrary to Her Majesties proclamacion and orders sett downe in Her Highenes Court of Starrchamber. If therefore the said John Wolf do not proceede anie further in buildinge or erectinge of the same playhowse, unless he shall procure sufficient warrant from the Rt. Honourable the Lords of Her Majesties most honourable Privye Councill for further . . . then this recognizaunce to be void or els to remaine in full force.” G. S. P. R., Easter, 42 Eliz.

2 APRIL, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Katherine's co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Nelson late of London yoman practised and exercised certain detestable and devilish arts, called “witchcraftes inchauntementes charmes and sorcerie” upon and against Katherine Corwell, an infant aged eleven weeks, by reason of which detestable practice the said infant has languished from the said 2nd of April 42 Eliz. until the day of the taking of this inquisition, to wit the 4th of April 42 Eliz., “et adhuc valde infirma et languida existit.” G. D. R., 4 April, 42 Eliz.

18 APRIL, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. on the said day, John Thomas gentleman, William Poore gentleman and Francis Hull clerk, all late of London, assaulted Richard Thomas gentleman, and that then and there John Thomas with a sword gave the said Richard on the left side of his breast a mortal

wound, of which he then and there died instantly. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' John Thomas and William Poore were sentenced to be hung; Francis Hull "po' se non cul' nec rec'." G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

24 APRIL, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the water of the river Thames at Hampton co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Chippes, the guider or steersman of a certain barge drawn by three horses, wilfully and feloniously handled the same barge, so as to upset a boat in which Richard Nightingale esq. and his wife Frances Nightingale and their servant Mary Wager were then and there being rowed by Thomas Jones and John Savage, whereby the said Richard Chippes caused the same Richard, Frances and Mary to be submerged. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

25 APRIL, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Fyncheley co. Midd. on the said day, Peter Gore late of London gentleman assaulted Thomas Hall, and robbed him of thirteen pounds in numbered moneys. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Thomas Hall was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

4 MAY, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fyncheley co. Midd. on the said day, Joan Austen of the said parish made half-a-hundred weight of starche "de tritico," against the form of the Proclamation in this case published.—Also six other several True Bills against six different persons for the same offence, viz. against Mary Coyle of Brayneford co. Midd. for making twoe hundred-weight of starch at Brayneford on 24 August 42 Eliz.; Daniel Arthur of Kensington co. Midd. cowper for making two hundred-weight of starch on 4 Sept. 43 Eliz.; Richard Norton of Clerkenwell co. Midd. for making at Clerkenwell half-a-hundred weight of starch on 28 May, 43 Eliz.; Richard Savadge jun<sup>r</sup>. of Popler yoman, for making half-a-hundred-weight of starch at Popler on 1 August 43 Eliz.; John Skynner of Clarkenwell for making a hundred-weight of starch at Clarkenwell on 28 Sept. 43 Eliz.; and Thomas Humfrye of St. Katheren's co. Midd. for making at St. Katheren's twoe hundred-weight of starch on 26 August, 42 Eliz. G. D. R., 2 Oct., 43 Eliz.

4 JUNE, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackney co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Bowyer late of London yoman stole a baye nagg worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of William Crowther.—Also, nine other indictments of the same Henry Bowyer, for stealing horses in and about London from different owners on days of June, August and October 42 Eliz., and November 42 and 43 Eliz., viz. at Stepney, Hackeney, Beddnollgreene, and Stratfordebowe. At the head of each bill, the memorandum "Cogn' Indictamentu' Sus'." He confessed the indictment, and was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 43 Eliz.

24 JUNE, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of William Haner of Norton Folgate co. Midd. yeoman, and Richard Drury and Francis Jeffery, both of Eastsmythfield bruers, in the sum of twenty pounds each ; For the appearance of the said Richard and Francis at the next Session of the Peace in Middlesex, to answer for “ misusing a woman great with child and throwing her down-stairs.” G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

24 JUNE, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Nortonfolgate co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Drury of Eastsmithfeilde brewer assaulted Bridget Strynger, wife of John Strynger, knocking her down and throwing her into a cellar. Putting himself ‘ Guilty,’ Richard Drury was fined twenty shillings, and required to give security for his good behaviour. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

1 JULY, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Turmillstreete co. Midd. and elsewhere in the said county for six months next following the said day, John Archer of the said street exercised the art and mystery of a blacksmith, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years to the same art and mystery, against the form of a certain statute of 5 Eliz. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

1 JULY, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of John Darcy of Newington Buttes co. Surrey gentleman and Henry Atkinson of Fleete Lane in London tayler, in the sum of twenty pounds each ; For the appearance of Elizabeth Hawle, wife of Arthur Hawle of Newington aforesaid gentleman, at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, to answer &c. “ for suspicion of fower yardes of broade cloth shee bought of one Duglas and two other men at the Signe of the Black Swanne in Westminster.” G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

2 JULY, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Andrew’s Holborne in the night of the said day between ten and eleven p.m., Elizabeth Gallant late of the said parish spinster assaulted a male infant, born alive of her body, and murdered the same infant by crushing in its head with her hands. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

11 JULY, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of John Cannon of Yateley co. Southampton gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said John’s appearance at the next Session of the Peace, he having been “ taken suspiciously in the fieldes with a lewde woman.” G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

11 JULY, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of Henry Hunninges, servant of Robert Maule of Kingsey co. Buckingham gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the appearance of the same Henry Hunninges, and Joan Cooke

and Helen Bowfylde of Bisshopsgate Street in London, at the next Session of the Peace, they being 'persons of lewde lieffe and conversacon.' G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

11 JULY, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of John Porday of St. Katherin's near the Tower of London, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of the said John Porday and his wife Joan at the next Session of the Peace, they being "persons suspected of lewde lieffe." G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

12 JULY, 42 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Candeler esq. J.P., of Thomas Pate of Tottenham co. Midd. gentleman and Thomas Franklyn of the parish of St. Peter Avincula (*sic*) in the Tower of London cutler, in the sum of five pounds each, and of John Francke of London gentleman ("ymployed in Her Majestes service for Ireland, beinge Levetenaunt to Captayne William Newre") in the sum of ten pounds; For the said John Francke's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, to answer for a breach of the peace charged against him by the Cunstable of Goldinge Lane. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

20 JULY, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Chauncerylane co. Midd. on the said day and during the next two months preceding this inquisition, William Strange of the said lane unlawfully received and and kept in his dwelling-house "quosdam subtenentes *anglice* Inmates," against the laws and ordinances of the kingdom of England. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 43 Eliz.

29 JULY, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the Kinges Feild at Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, William Sharpe late of London yoman assaulted William Sammes (he being in God's and the Queen's peace), and with a staff called "a padlestaffe" gave the said William Sammes on the right part of his head a mortal blow, of which he died on the 7th of August then next following. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

1 AUGUST, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in their house at St. Giles's-in-the-Fields on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, Edward Weldon gentleman and his wife Anne for gain and profit received and harboured persons of bad fame and life, to wit, "communes meretrices ociosas et suspectuosas personas ociose et suspectuose viventes." G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at his house in Chauncerylane co. Midd. on the said day, and during the month next preceding the present inquisition, John Smythe of the said lane received and maintained "quendam subtenentem *anglice* an Inmate," against the laws and ordinances of this kingdom of England. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 43 Eliz.

31 AUGUST, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at

Stanwell co. Midd. on the said day, Edmund Shordiche late of Iver co. Bucks. gentleman assaulted William Hollyday, and robbed him of a piece of undressed white cloth worth thirteen pounds. Po se non cul nec r'. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 43 Eliz.

1 SEPTEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Sonbury co. Midd. on the said day and during the six months then next following, Arnold Turner late of the same parish exercised the art and occupation of a blacksmith, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years to the same art and occupation, against the form of the statute of 5 Eliz., in that case provided. G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

8 SEPTEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Johnstreete in the night of the said day between ten and eleven p.m., Francis Pigott, George Trowte *alias* Gory, and John Fitzwilliams, all late of London gentlemen, broke burglariously into the house of William Fitzwylliams esq., with the intention of despoiling him of his goods and chattels and murdering him. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' the three burglars were sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

20 SEPTEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Chauncerylane co. Midd. on the said day, John Middleton of the same lane yoman refused to keep watches there. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 43 Eliz.

20 SEPTEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Stephen's Alley in Westminster co. Midd., Henry Edlyn of the said alley yoman refused to keep watches at the same alley. G. D. R., 1 Dec. 43 Eliz.,

20 SEPTEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Tottenham co. Midd. on the said day, the Most Noble the Earl of Oxford with divers of his servants blocked up an ancient footway, lying near Stamford Hill, and leading from Tottenham aforesaid to the parish church of Hackney, by which footway divers of the Queen's lieges have from time immemorial been accustomed to journey towards the said church and to the city of London. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 43 Eliz.

27 SEPTEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Bednall Grene in the parish of Stebunhith co. Midd. on the said day, Peter Sharpe late of London yoman stole half-a-yard of tawny-coloured veluet trimmed with crimson silk, worth five shillings, and half-a-yard of "Tuftaffita coloris watched and crimson" trimmed with orange-and-blewe coloured silk, worth four shillings. Confessing the indictment, Peter Sharpe asked for the book, read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T, and delivered in accordance with the statute. G. D. R., . . . , 42 Eliz.

30 SEPTEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hoglane in the parish of Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, Anthony Warren of St. Botolph's-without-Allgate in London yoman built and erected three

cottages "called three base cottages," against the form of the statute in that case provided. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 43 Eliz.

19 OCTOBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Newe Inne co. Midd., in the night of the said day between two and three a.m., Peter Homes *alias* Hopperly, late of London yoman, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of George Lawley gentleman and John Vavysor gentleman, and stole therefrom "octodecem pecias electri vocat' pewter pottengers (*sic*)" worth nine shillings, and "octodecem alias pecias electri vocat' meate dysshes ad valenciam xis.," of the goods and chattels of the said George Lawley and John Vavysor.—Putting himself 'Guilty' of the felony, but not of the burglary, Peter was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 43 Eliz.

1 NOVEMBER, 42 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hadley co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Stambridge of the said place yoman divided and converted one cottage into four several tenements, which tenements are unfit for habitation "quia carent culminibus anglice vocat' chymies," to the great alarm of the inhabitants there, and against the peace of the Lady the Queen. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 43 Eliz.

21 NOVEMBER, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Jones late of London yoman assaulted Edmund Tinsley, and then and there slew and murdered him, by giving him on his right showlder with a sword a mortal wound, of which the said Edmund then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 43 Eliz.

4 DECEMBER, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Chief Justice Popham, of Nicholas Startoppe of St. Buttolph's-without-Algate yoman and Thomas Wyttye of St. Katherin's near the Tower of London brewer, in the sum of forty pounds each, and of Thomas Woodde of St. Buttolph's aforesaid clothworker, in the sum of one hundred marks; For the said Thomas Woodde's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery. G. D. R., . . . , 43 Eliz.

6 DECEMBER, 43 ELIZABETH.—Five several True Bills against the following five persons—*viz.* (1) Margery Blasson late of Hampton in parish of Hampton co. Midd. spinster, *alias* Margery Blasson wife of John Blasson of the said parish, (2) Juliana Butcher late of St. Andrew's in Holborne spinster, (3) William Goodakers late of St. Andrew's in Holborne yoman, (4) Anne Goodakers jun<sup>r</sup>. late of St. Andrewes in Holborne spinster, (5) Francis Northe late of St. Andrewes in Holborne gentleman—for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, during the three months next following the aforesaid 6th of December.

31 DECEMBER, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Katherin's co. Midd. on the said day, Alice Lee late of London spinster stole a

pair of linen sheetes worth four shillings, eleven flaxen napkins worth two shillings, a Cambrick band worth sixpence, a silke apron worth twelve pence, a black silke kirtle worth three shillings, two brass candlestickes worth three shillings and four pence, "vnum librum vocatum a service booke" worth eighteen pence, and six shillings and sixpence in numbered money, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Mabelle Harrys. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Alice Lee pleaded pregnancy. G. D. R., . . . , 43 Eliz.

4 JANUARY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hendon co. Midd. on the said day, Joan Nicolls late of London spinster stole a bushel and half a bushel of wheat worth six (*sic*) shillings, and a bushel and three pecks of oats worth six (*sic*) shillings, of the goods and chattels of Humfrey George. Putting herself 'Guilty,' of petty larceny, Joan Nicolls was liberated. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 43 Eliz.

8 JANUARY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Norton Follgate co. Midd. in the night of the same day, Elizabeth Cooper late of London spinster broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of William Radley, and stole therefrom two linen pillowebeeres worth eighteen pence, a linen smocke worth twelve pence, "unum fronticulum panni linei vocatum a Crossecloth ad valenciam *vid.*," a child's bedd worth twelve pence, and a woollen kirtle worth two shillings, of the goods and chattels of the same William Radley. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Elizabeth Cooper was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 43 Eliz.

9 JANUARY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Leonard's in Shordiche co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Arnold and Peter Sharpe, both late of London yomen, stole two woollen-cloth cubbord-clothes worth five shillings, a woollen carpett worth four shillings, a silver forke worth four shillings, six pieces of corral worth two shillings, four spoons of mother-of-pearle worth three shillings, six knyves worth two shillings, a box covered with redd velvett worth three shillings and four-pence, a jewell of golde and pearle worth two shillings, "vnam peciam Argenti vocatam a Cattamountayne of silver ad valenciam *xxs.*," of the goods and chattels of Thomas Marten, Doctor of Sacred Theology. Confessing the indictment, Henry Arnold asked for the book, read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T, and delivered according to the form of the Statute. Peter Sharpe put himself 'Guilty,' and, there appearing evidence that he had committed burglary in another county, was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 43 Eliz.

20 JANUARY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hamersmithe in the parish of Fullham co. Midd. on the said day, Joan Morgan late of London spinster, and Anne Simpson also late of London spinster were



seen and found in the company of society of vagabonds commonly called Egyptians, and call themselves Egyptians, and thus have done feloniously for the space of one month after the said day at Hamersmithe aforesaid, and elsewhere in the same county. Joan Morgan put herself 'Guilty' and pleaded her pregnancy; but on being found 'Not Pregnant' by a jury of matrons, she was sentenced to be hung. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Anne Simpson pleaded her pregnancy and was reprieved, it being found by a jury of matrons that she was pregnant. G. D. R., 16 Feb., 43 Eliz.

22 JANUARY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway of Mylend in the parish of Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, Henry Peckham late of London yoman assaulted Nicholas Lee, and with a staffe murdered him, by giving him on the hinder part of his head with the same weapon a mortal blow, of which he then and there died instantly; and that Thomas Freeman, late of Mylend aforesaid yoman, knowing him to have perpetrated the said murder, received aided and comforted the same Henry at Mylend on the same day. Thomas Freeman put himself 'Not Guilty' and did not retract. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Henry Peckham was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 24 April, 43 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Sir Robert Wrothe knt. J.P., of Marke Antony of Whitechappell stranger, and Thomas Shepperd of the parish of Crechurch within Allgate draper, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of Thomas Woode of East Smythfeild scrivener, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said Thomas Woode's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, "to aunsver for the forgeinge or counterfeitinge of writings." G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Edward Stanhope LL.D., one of the Masters of Chancery and J.P. for co. Midd., of Henry Marshe of St. Gregory's in the city of London leatherseller and Robert Bucke of the Mynores in London gunmaker, and Thomas Samon *alias* Smith of the parish of Whitchappell, in the sum of one hundred pounds each, and John Cadwallader of Whitechappell gentleman in the sum of two hundred pounds; For the said John Cadwallader's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, and afterwards for his appearance at such Sessions as shall be appointed, from time to time during an entire year, and for his good behaviour during the same time, and for his continuance during the same term within the jurisdiction of the Court unless he shall have licence to depart therefrom. G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

3 MARCH, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Margaret's parish

in Westminster on the said day, Teague Warde late of London gentleman assaulted Arthur Prickett, when he was in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a sword called "an arminge sworde" slew the same Arthur, by giving him under the right side of his breast a mortal wound, of which he died on the 8th day of the same month. On the back of the bill, a memorandum that it was taken at the Castle in St. John's Street on 3 April 43 Eliz. before seven Justices, by the oath of twenty jurors, whose names, like the names of the Justices, are given in the endorsement. Putting himself 'Guilty,' Teague Warde asked for the book, read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T, and delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

16 MARCH, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of John Davies of St. Leonard's Shoreditch co. Midd. taylour, in the sum of ten pounds, and of John Price of Plaestow co. Essex yeoman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Price's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, he having been "taken in a suspitious house and haveing noe busines in towne." G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

16 MARCH, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Johnstrete co. Midd. on the said day, James Dowdall late of London yoman stole a piece of linen cloth called lawne worth twenty-one shillings, and another piece of lawne worth twenty-five shillings, and another piece of lawne worth thirty-two shillings, and another piece of lawne worth fifty-five shillings, and another piece of lawne worth three pounds four shillings, and another piece of lawne worth thirty-nine shillings, and eight elles of white holland worth thirty-two shillings, and fifteen elles of greene . . . holland worth thirty shillings, and fifteen elles of . . . holland worth . . . , and eleven elles of browne holland worth twenty-six shillings, and a piece of . . . holland worth forty-two shillings, and a piece of white holland worth . . . , of the goods and chattels of Gilbert (?) Walden. Memorandum at the head of the bill, "Cogn Ind petit libru' legit vt Cl'icus rep<sup>r</sup>. ante cremat' Confessing the indictment, he asks for the book, reads like a clerk, is reprieved before being branded." G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Johnstrete co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Procter late of London stole a redd woollen pettycoate worth ten pence, of the goods and chattels of Hugh Fludde; and that, on the 23rd of the same month, Richard Robenson yoman and Joan Robenson spinster, both of the same street, knowing him to have perpetrated the said felony, received aided and comforted the said Robert Procter. Robert Procter and Joan Robenson confessed

the indictment ; Richard Robenson was at large. G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that (whereas Thomas Tycheburne late of London clerk, born within this kingdom of England, who, after the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist 1 Eliz., and before the 20<sup>th</sup> June 21 Eliz. was made and ordained a priest by authority, derived and pretended from the See of Rome) George Baylie late of St. James's in Clarkenwell co. Midd. glover and his wife Mary Baylie *alias* Mary Baylie spinster, knowing the said Thomas to be such a priest as is aforesaid, at large and out of prison, willingly received, comforted, aided and maintained him at St. James's aforesaid, on the 20th March, 43 Eliz. At the foot of the bill, a memorandum that the aforesaid George and Mary Baylie were exonerated in this matter by the Queen's pardon. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Braineferd co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Heyward late of London yoman stole thirtie poundes of feathers worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of Michael Goodyeare. Confessing the indictment, Richard Heyward asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was rerieved before he was branded. Cognovit Indictamentum petit librum legit vt cl'icus rep<sup>r</sup>. ante cremat. G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

22 MARCH, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Heyes co. Midd. on the said day, John Worrall late of London yoman feloniously entered the dwelling-house of Mary Mynne widow, and stole therefrom twenty shillings, of the moneys of John Glysson ; and that, on the following day at Hillingdon co. Midd., Amy Blakey late of Hillingdon aforesaid, knowing him to have committed the said felony, received, aided and comforted the same John Worrall. Putting himself 'Not Guilty,' John Worrall was acquitted ; Amy Blakey being exonerated in consequence of his acquittal. G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

30 MARCH, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Richard Canderer esq. J.P., of John Hoffe of Tottenham co. Midd. butcher in the sum of twenty pounds, and Robert Hooffe of the same place butcher, in the sum of forty pounds ; For the appearance of the said Robert at the next Gaol Delivery, to answer to a charge of "hunt-inge and killinge certen of her Majesties deere in the forest of Waltham." G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

31 MARCH, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Pickthatch co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Foulsome of the same place yoman, built a certain house called "his Meltinge house" upon and to a certain tenement there, against the form of the statute in this case provided. G. D. R., 3 April, 43 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Nortonfolgate co. Midd. on the said day and for the time of an entire month, Susanna Newland late of the same parish spinster, impiously and diabolically kept a brothel, causing thereby riots and tumults, scandal amongst her neighbours, and “the overthrowing” of many of the Queen’s lieges. *Po se non cul nec r’.* G. D. R., 24 April, 43 Eliz.’

5 APRIL, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of John Lawrence of St. Dunstan’s-in-the-West of London gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds, and of William Lawraunce of St. Gregory’s in London gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of the same William Lawraunce at the next Gaol Delivery, to answer to a suspicion “of stealing ii shoes.” G. D. R., 24 April, 43 Eliz.

. . . . 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances taken (on Friday in the third week of Lent) before Sir Edmund Anderson, knt., Chief Justice of the Queen’s Bench, and George Kyngsmill, one of the Justices of the same bench, Cristofer Holgilb’ *alias* Ogilb’ of Kettleby co. Lincoln yeoman, of Robert Tyrwhitt of Kettleby co. Lincoln esq., and Robert Markham of Newark co. Nott. esq., in the sum of two hundred pounds each; For the appearance of the said Christopher Holgilb’ *alias* Ogilb’ at the next General Gaol Delivery of the Feast of Easter next ensuing, to answer to all such matters as shall be objected against him. G. D. R., 24 April, 43 Eliz.

6 APRIL, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Ratcliffe co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Newton late of London yoman assaulted Richard Baker, and murdered the same Richard by giving him with a rapiour on his left cheek a mortal wound, of which he died on the 15th of the same month. Putting himself ‘Not Guilty’ of murder, but ‘Guilty’ of manslaughter, Thomas Newton asked for the book, read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T, and delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., 27 May, 43 Eliz.

7 APRIL, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin’s-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Millett late of London yoman broke into and entered the dwelling-house of Edward Harberte esq., and stole therefrom a silver porringer worth fifty shillings; and That, knowing him to have committed the said felony, Robert Payne and Thomas Yarner, both late of London yomen, received, aided and comforted the said Thomas Millett on 8 April 43 Eliz., in the aforesaid parish. Pleading his clergy, Thomas Millett was branded and delivered. G. D. R., 24 April, 43 Eliz.

15 APRIL, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Clement’s-Danes-without-the-Bars of the New Temple co. Midd. on the said day, Margaret Tayke late of London spinster stole a box worth two

shillings, two white aprons worth three shillings, a payre of vpper-boddies worth twelve pence, two linen sleeves worth twelve pence, five linen crosse-clothes worth eighteen pence, a linen handkercher worth two shillings, three linen collars called falinge bandes worth eighteen pence, three linen coyfes worth twelve pence, a leather purse called "a Barbarye purse" worth ten shillings, a linen smock worth two shillings, a paire of Jercye stockens of silke-russett color (*coloris silke russett*) worth twelve pence, a linen table-napkin worth twelve pence, and two beddes for a child worth twelve pence, being in the same box, of the goods and chattels of Robert Whiskine. Putting herself 'Guilty' of petty larceny, and the jury appraising all these goods and chattels at eleven pence, Margaret Tayke was liberated on payment of the fee. G. D. R., 24 April, 43 Eliz.

20 APRIL, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Henry Thoresby esq. J.P., of James Hunter of Rattcliff co. Midd. saylor, and Thomas Chamberlayne of Fleet Streete in London jewell-box maker, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, to give evidence against Clement Fishman and Katherine Ladbroke. G. D. R., 24 April, 43 Eliz.

23 APRIL, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields in the night of the said day, Thomas Fludde late of London yoman broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of the Lady the Queen Elizabeth, and stole therefrom an olyffe-culloured velvet woman's gowne worth forty pounds, a figured satten woman's gowne "*prone coloris*" worth twenty-four pounds, a greene carpett worth three pounds, a pair of "curtaines for a windowe *coloris watchett*" worth forty shillings, nine dozen napkins worth sixteen pounds, a pair of "flaxen sheetes" worth fifty shillings, three linen smockes worth three pounds, and three shirts worth twenty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the Lady Frances Borroughe. At the bill's foot, the memorandum "*Respectuatus*." G. D. R., 27 May, 43 Eliz.

27 APRIL, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster in the night of the said day, William Harvy late of London yoman broke burglariously into the house of the Most Noble Edward Earl of Hertford, and stole therefrom "*tria horologia de auro et argento et aliis metallis voc' clockes*" worth three hundred pounds. Putting himself 'Guilty,' William Harvy was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 27 May, 43 Eliz.

19 MAY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway of St Andrew's in Holborne co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Calverley late of London gentleman assaulted Christofer Beare, and with a rapiour gave the same Christofer on his throat a mortal blow, of which he then and there in the said highway died instantly. On his arraignment

Thomas Calverley put himself 'Not Guilty' of manslaughter, but 'Guilty' of defending himself. G. D. R., 27 May, 43 Eliz.

20 MAY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the Parsonage Close at Harlington co. Midd. on the said day, John Hunte late of London yoman "*quamdam vaccam coloris brynded fugavit in quoddam fossatum . . . et cum vacca illa adtunc et ibidem existente carnalem copulationem habuit &c.*" Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Hunte was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 27 May, 43 Eliz.

28 MAY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Clerkenwell co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Newton of the said parish skynner made of wheat fifty pounds of starch, and on the same day sold the same starch to divers of the Queen's lieges, against the form of Her Majesty's proclamation, in that case published. G. D. R., 2 Oct., 43 Eliz.

4 JUNE, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the said day at St. Johnstreete co. Midd., Henry Feildinge, servant of Sir James Scudamore, knt., and Richard Stevenson, another servant of Sir James Scudamore knt., assaulted Samuel Cartred in his dwelling-house, and that with a sword the same Henry Feildinge then and there gave the same Samuel Cartred a mortal blow, of which he died on some day, no longer to be discovered from the decayed bill. Henry Feildinge and Richard Stevenson were both at large. G. D. R., . . . , 43 Eliz.

24 JUNE, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at "le Stronde" co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Harecourte late of London yoman stole a rapiour with silvered hiltes worth ten shillings, a daggar with silvered hilte worth five shillings "*unum parr' vestiment' cerici et auri voc' a pare of hangers of silke and golde*" worth thirty shillings, a white satten dublett worth twenty shillings, a pare of white silke stockens worth thirteen shillings, a shirt worth three shillings, and a collar called "*a band*" worth two shillings, of the goods and chattels of Nicholas Tufton esq. Confessing the indictment, Robert Harecourte asked for the book, read like a clerk, and was delivered according to the form of the statute. G. D. R., . . . , 43 Eliz.

25 JUNE, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Harrison esq. J.P., of Nicholas Foster of Westminster scholemaster in the sum of ten pounds, and of Hercules Scregge tayler and Robert Sandes cordwainer, both of the said city, in the sum of five pounds each: For the appearance of the said Nicholas Foster at the next Session of the Peace, there having been "*found in his house a scandalous ballett or libell in print betwixt a Papist and Protestant,*" and he having "*confessed that he had the same [? from an] other unknown Mr. Skinner.*" G. D. R., . . . , 43 Eliz.

6 JULY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, John Hollowaye late of London yoman stole a

woollen-cloth cloak "coloris sageculler" worth ten shillings, a purpell woollen-cloth cloak worth fifty shillings, a dagger worth two shillings, a lether girdle worth two pence, divers pieces of linen called "falinge Bandes and Ruffes" worth six shillings and eightpence, and a cloke-bagge of motteley culler worth three shillings and four pence, of the goods and chattels of Arthur Staverton gentleman.—Also two other True Bills against John Hollowaye for stealing, at Westminster on the 20th of the same July, divers articles of personal apparel (including a woollen-cloth cloak of phessante culler), of the goods and chattels of Arthur Staverton. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Hollowaye asked for the book; but, evidence being offered that he had been guilty of burglary in Berkshire, he was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 2 Oct., 43 Eliz.

20 JULY, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Tobias Wode esq. J.P., of William Bradley taylour and George Lunne turnour, both of Ratcliffe co. Midd., in the sum of twenty pounds each, and of John Peerce of the same place taylour, in the sum of forty pounds; For the said John Peerce's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, he being suspected "of steling of iii shepe from Walter Garnons at Coockoldes Haven in the com. of Surrey." G. D. R., . . . , 43 Eliz.

27 JULY, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill against John Knollis late of Popler in the parish of Stebunheath co. Midd. gentleman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer during the two months next following the said 27th of July.—Also, two several True Bills against John Clarke late of Lymehouse in the parish of Stebunheath co. Midd. clothworker, and Richard Savage jun<sup>r</sup>, late of Popler in Stebunheath yoman, for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer during the same aforesaid two months. G. D. R., 2 Oct., 43 Eliz.

9 AUGUST, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fullham co. Midd. on the said day, Arthur Sotherton and Griffin Thomas, both late of London yomen broke into the dwelling-house of Richard the Bishop of London, and there stole a silver salte worth four pounds, of the goods and chattels of the Lady the Queen Elizabeth, the said Queen in her Royal Majesty being then and there at Fullham and in the said house; and further That, knowing the same Arthur and Griffin to have perpetrated the said felony, Edmund Dye late of London yoman feloniously received and comforted them at St. Giles's-in-the-Fields on the 10th of Aug. 43 Eliz. In Latin the charge against the thieves was that they, on the aforesaid 9th of August, "Domum Mansionalem Ricardi Episcopi London scituatam et existentem apud Fullham in predicto comitatu Midd. felonice fregerunt et intraverunt et vnam salinam argenti vocatam a silver Salte ad valenciam iii li de bonis et cattallis dicte

dominenostre Regine Elizabethe (eadem domina Regina adtunc in regali Majestate sua existente apud Fullham predictam in predicto comitatu Midd. et in domo mansionali predicta) adtunc et ibidem inventam felonice furati fuere ceperunt et asportaverunt. G. D. R., 2 Oct., 43 Eliz.

12 AUGUST, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Tobias Wood esq. J.P., of John Williams of Wappinge co. Midd. carpenter, in the sum of ten pounds, and of Reynold Holdway of Whitechappell smyth, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Reynold Holdway's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery, he being thus "bound ouer for that he is chardged by Richard Brock of Wapping smyth to have beaten his owne wife, of which beating she dyed." G. D. R., 2 Oct., 43 Eliz.

27 AUGUST, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Ralph Waller esq. J.P., of George Page yoman and Richard Spright butcher, both of Cowe Crosse co. Midd., in the sum of . . . each, and of George Baylye of Cowe Crosse aforesaid glover and Mary his wife, in the sum of one hundred pounds; For the appearance of the said George Baylye and Mary Baylye at the next Session of the Peace. At the foot of the bill, this memorandum—"This is for recusantes that wilnot come to the church, [? and] for loyding of seminaries in the terme tyme." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 43 Eliz.

29 AUGUST, 43 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of Richard Lewes taylour and Gilbert Spicer gouldsmith, both of St. Buttolph's-without-Aldgate, in the sum of ten pounds each, and Lawrence Lawfe of Charterhouselane co. Midd. yoman, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the appearance of the said Lawrence at the next Session of the Peace, to answer for "threateninge to burne divers houses." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 43 Eliz.

2 SEPTEMBER, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Tottenham co. Midd. in the night of the said day, John Bryan late of London yoman broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of George Kempe esq., and stole therefrom a pair of blacke silke garters, of the goods and chattels of Thomas Woodhouse esq., then staying in the said house. Putting himself 'Not Guilty' of the burglary, but 'Guilty' of the felony, John Bryan was allowed benefit of clergy. G. D. R., 2 Oct., 43 Eliz.

25 SEPTEMBER, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Bayleye late of London yoman stole seven "skynnes of Budge," of the goods and chattels of William Clarke. Putting himself 'Guilty,' he asked for the book, and was reprieved before judgment. Po se cul ca null petit libru repri ante iudiciu'. G. D. R., 2 Oct., 43 Eliz.



31 OCTOBER, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Tower Wharfe co. Midd. on the said day, William Phillipps late of London yoman stole “duas balistas eris *anglice* two pieces of ordinaunce called Brasse Fawcons” worth fourteen pounds, of the goods and chattels of the Most Serene Lady the Queene Elizabeth. G. D. R., 26 May, 44 Eliz.

6 NOVEMBER, 43 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harmondsworth co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Budden late of the said parish yoman assaulted his wife Margery Budden with malice aforethought, and murdered her by seizing her neck with his hands and wringing and breaking it. Putting himself ‘Guilty,’ Robert Budden was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

30 NOVEMBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin’s-in-the-Fields co. Midd. and elsewhere in the said county on the said day and at other times before and afterwards, Willimott Golde *alias* Willson late of London spinster, a lazy and vagabond person, published and spread divers false rumours respecting the Queen, amongst the Queen’s subjects. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

4 DECEMBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Charterhouse co. Midd. on the said day and at divers times before and afterwards, John Sankey and John Billengesley, both of Charterhouselane gentlemen, used and haunted “a dicing house” situated and being in the said Charterhouse. G. D. R., . . . April, 44 Eliz.

10 DECEMBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Hygate co. Midd. on the said day, Bartholomew Turpin late of London yoman assaulted Simon Fielder, and robbed him of a leather purse worth two pence, and a piece of gold worth three pounds. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 44 Eliz.

20 DECEMBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Howneslowe Heathe in the parish of Eastbedfounte co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Hylliard *alias* Higgins, late of London yoman, assaulted a certain unknown man and robbed him of three pounds in numbered money. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 44 Eliz.

31 DECEMBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—Thirteen several True Bills against the following thirteen persons for not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer,—viz., (1) Elizabeth Crossefeilde late of St. Andrew’s in Holborne widow, (2) Henry Jerningham jun<sup>r</sup>. late of St. Clement’s Danes gentleman, (3) Thomas Culpepper late of St. Clement’s Danes gentleman, (4) Elizabeth Mordaunt late of St. Clement’s Danes widow, (5) Thomas Booker late of St. Andrew’s in Holborne gentleman, (6) Paul Wilkinson late of St. Clement’s Danes gentleman, (7) William Cobbe late of St. Andrew’s in Holborne gentleman, (8) James Godwyn late of St. Clement’s Danes gentleman (against all eight for

not going to church, chapel or any usual place of Common Prayer, during the six months following the said 31 Dec. 44 Eliz.), (9) Mary Newdigate late of Hampton co. Midd. spinster, (10) Margery Blasson late of Hampton co. Midd. spinster, *alias* Margery Blasson wife of John Blasson of the same place . . . , (11) John Clarke late of Stepney co. Midd. yoman, (12) Joan Snodon late of Cranford co. Midd. spinster, *alias* Joan Snodon wife of Richard Snodon of the same place yoman (against all four, for not going to church &c. for the three months, beginning on 10 March 44 Eliz.) and (13) Laurence Buttes late of St. James's in Clerkenwell co. Midd. gentleman, for not going to any usual place of Common Prayer, during the month beginning on 6 May, 44 Eliz.; each bill having at the foot a memorandum, that proclamation had been made in accordance with the form of the Statute.—Preserved by themselves in the same file (dated on the wrapper, 25 June, 44 Eliz.) these thirteen True Bills are prefaced by a long memorandum, that, proclamation having been made for the persons so indicted to surrender their bodies to the Sheriff of Middlesex at the next General Gaol Delivery of Newgate, then and there to answer to charges of trespasses and contempts, and twelve of them failing to surrender themselves in accordance with the proclamation at the Gaol Delivery, made on 1st September, 44 Eliz., each of the persons so failing to appear was convicted of the same trespasses and contempts. Thomas Culpepper surrendered himself; when it was ordered that he should be discharged of the indictment, should he be present on the next Lord's Day at prayers and sermon, at St. Andrew's church in Holborn. Respecting William Cobbe (named in the body of the writing as one of the twelve recusants, convicted on failing to appear and surrender) it is recorded in the last line of the Memorandum, "And the aforesaid William Cobbe appeared and is exonerated of the indictment." G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

13 JANUARY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harlington co. Midd. on the said day, John Pemmer late of Westdraiton co. Midd. gardener administered in a potion a certain quantity of the powdered root of White Elebore to Anne, the wife of Robert Fisher of Harlington; and that she being at that time sick, and ignorant of the effect of so great a quantity of White Elebore, and being persuaded by John Pemmer it would be a remedy for her sickness, took the same powder, and by reason of taking it died on the eighteenth of the same month: and that in so persuading her to take the same powder the said John killed and slew the same Anne; there being no charge that he murdered her. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 44 Eliz.

20 JANUARY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, William Owen *alias* Jones and John

Kinge *alias* Kymes, both late of London yomen, broke into the dwelling-house of Sir Thomas Egerton knt., Keeper of the Great Seal, and stole therefrom two woollen-cloth cloaks of divers colours worth six pounds, and two woollen-cloth hattes worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of certain unknown men : And Further that Edward Bickerstaffe, late of St. Clement's Danes co. Midd. broker, knowing them to have perpetrated the said felony, received aided comforted the same William and John at St. Clement's Danes on 21 Jan. 44 Eliz.—William Owen put himself 'Guilty' and had no chattels : John Kinge was at large ; putting himself 'Guilty,' Edward Bickerstaffe asked for the book, read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T, and was delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

24 JANUARY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of Edward Owyn of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds ; For the said Edward Owyn's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, at The Castle near Smythfeilde Barres, then and there to answer "for beinge an Inmate in the house of one Oliver Gwinne."—Also, the Recognizance, taken on the same day before the same Justice of the Peace, of Oliver Gwinne of St. Giles's-in-the-Fields barber, in the sum of ten pounds, for his appearance at the next Session of the Peace held at The Castle near Smythfeilde Barres, then and there to answer "for receavinge one Edward Owyn and his wife, one Fetherbee and his wife and one Mabell Brooke into his howse as inmates." G. D. R., 15 Feb., 44 Eliz.

13 FEBRUARY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of Henry Cheeke and Walter Darrell, both of Greyes Inn gentlemen, in the sum of twenty pounds each, and Asculph Clevesbee (servant of the said Henry Cheeke), in the sum of forty pounds ; For the said Asculph Clevesbee's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, he being suspected "of fellony for stealinge a sylver cuppe forthe of the taverne where" he and certain of his fellows "were a drinkinge."—Also, three other sets of Recognizances, taken before the same Justice of the Peace, for the appearance of Jervis Errington (servant of Nicholas Lee of Greyes Inn gentleman), Richard Greevell (servant of Walter Darrell of Greyes Inne gentleman), and William Hardinge (servant of William Fludde of Greyes Inne gentleman) at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate, they being suspected "of felony for stealing a sylver cupp forth of a taverne where they were a-drinkinge." G. D. R., 15 Feb., 44 Eliz.

16 FEBRUARY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Nortonfolgate in the parish of St. Leonerd in Shordiche co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Anthony, Michael Pudsey, Richard Brewer, William Tame,

John Roall, John Davies, Robert Jackson, John Littlewood, Richard Reade, William Gallante, Michael Springell and Hugh Williams, all late of London yomen, together with twenty unknown disturbers of the peace, armed with staves and clubbes and other weapons, assembled riotously and in warlike manner, and made forcibly an unlawful entry into the dwelling-house of Helen Howell, and prostrated it to the ground. G. D. R., 15 Feb., 44 Eliz.

17 FEBRUARY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of John Banckes of the precinct of St. Katherine near The Tower of London cordwainer, and Henry Wyndes of St. Buttolph's-without-Bishopsgate cordwainer, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of Robert Jackson of St. Katherine's aforesaid cordwainer, in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said Robert Jackson's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, to answer "for an vnlawfull assembly on shrove-tuesday."—Also, four other sets of Recognizances, taken before the same Justice of the Peace, for the appearance of Edward Graves bricklayer and Andrew Lincoln butcher, both of Norton-Folgate, John Davies of St. Bridgett's cutler, Richard Parrys servant of Thomas Parrys citizen and innholder of London, and Alexander Bowker apprentice of Thomas Salisbury citizen and draper of London, at the next Session of the Peace, then and there to answer for their parts in, or to give evidence against persons taking part in the same "vnlawfull assembly on shrove-tuesday." G. D. R., 15 Feb., 44 Eliz.

27 FEBRUARY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fullham co. Midd. in the night of the said day, John Gorney and John Hopkyns both late of London yomen, broke burglariously into the house of Edmund Hilton, and stole therefrom "a copper styl" worth fifty-two shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Edmund. John Hopkins put himself 'Not Guilty' and did not retract. Putting himself 'Guilty' of the felony, but 'Not Guilty' of the burglary, John Gorney asked for the book, read like a clerk, was branded with the letter T, and delivered in accordance with the Statute. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

28 FEBRUARY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Pancras co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Waynam late of London gentleman assaulted Robert Jones late of London gentleman, and slew him by giving him with a rapier a mortal wound in the right shoulder, of which wound he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

6 MARCH, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of Henry Newdigate of Hampton co. Midd. gentleman, and Robert Christopher of Stanwell co. Midd. gentleman, in

the sum of forty pounds each, and Edward Haslerigg late of London gentleman, in the sum of eighty pounds; For the said Edward Haslerigg's appearance at the next Gaol Delivery of Newgate. At the foot of the bill, this memorandum by John Grange J.P., "The L. Cheefe Justice of England did send vnto me to bayll this gent' committed to the Marshalse by his L<sup>p</sup>. I know not for what cause." G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

7 MARCH, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fynnesberrye in the parish of St. Giles-without-Creplegate co. Midd., William Kindlemarshe late of London yoman assaulted Edward Tumber, when he was in God's and the Queen's peace, and murdered him by giving him with "a staffe" a mortal blow on the right side of his head, of which blow the said Edward then and there died instantly. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

13 MARCH, 44 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Bartholomew Turpyn late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Bartholomew Turpyn died in the gaol, by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes," on the 12th inst. after a month's illness. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

20 MARCH, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Fullham co. Midd. in the night of the said day, George Greene *alias* Kerke late of London yoman broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of the Reverend in Christ Richard Bishop of London and stole therefrom five carpettes of divers colours worth ten pounds, of the goods and chattels of the said Bishop. Po se cul ca null Sus. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

31 MARCH, 44 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Clement Clarke late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Clement Clarke died in the gaol by Divine Visitation of a "pyning sicknes" on the same day, after three weeks' illness. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. in the night of the same day, Thomas Nicolls yoman and John Moore taylor *alias* John West yoman, both late of London, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of Sir Walter Raleighe knt. in the said parish, and stole therefrom two linen "pillowbeeres . . . fitted with silke and golde" worth ten pounds, a linen "cushinge cloth" adorned with silk and gold worth five pounds, and a diaper tablecloth worth forty shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Sir Walter Raleigh.—Also, in the same file, another True Bill against the same burglars for entering burglariously, at the same parish in the

night of 20 Jan. 44 Eliz., the dwelling-house of Sir John Stannehoppe knt., and stealing therefrom five ornaments called cushinges worth three pounds, a carpett worth twenty shillings, and a woollen-cloth "skrene-cloth" worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of Sir John Stannehoppe knt.—Also, in the same file, another indictment against the same burglars, for breaking burglariously into the dwelling-house of the Most Noble Thomas Lord Burghley at the Strond co. Midd., in the night of 1 Feb. 44 Eliz., and stealing therefrom a red velvet coverlett worth twenty pounds, "fower curtaines of braunched damaske" worth five pounds, and "a braunched damaske carpett" worth ten pounds, of the goods and chattels of the said Most Noble Thomas, the Lord Burghley. Thomas Nicolls confessed both indictments; John Moore *alias* West was at large. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

1 APRIL, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Edward Vaughan esq. J.P., of William Dickinson of Horton co. Bucks. husbandman, in the sum of one hundred marks; For the said William's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, to be held at The Castle at St. John's Street, for his continuance within the jurisdiction of the Justices of the County of Middlesex till he should have their licence to depart, and in the mean time for his peaceful bearing to the Rt. Hon. the Lord Keeper and all the Queen's other lieges. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

. . . ., 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Christopher Rithe esq. J.P., on the 4th day of a month no longer discoverable from the decayed document, of Peter Haull of Isleworth co. Midd. tailor, in the sum of five pounds; For the said Peter's evidence against John Cockes now a prisoner in Newgate, "concerninge the robbing of John Argo, one of the cariers of Oxford." G. D. R., . . . ., 44 Eliz.

5 APRIL, 44 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Edward Hodgson late of London yoman, there lying dead: With Verdict that the said Edward Hodgson died in the gaol by Divine Visitation of the "pyninge sicknes" on the same day, after three weeks' illness. G. D. R., . . . ., 44 Eliz.

9 APRIL, 44 ELIZABETH.—Two sets of Recognizances, taken before Richard Candeler esq. J.P., for the appearance of John Hooffe and Robert Pate, both of Tottenham co. Midd. yomen, at the next Session of the Peace, then and there to answer to a charge of "pullinge downe bridges gates styles and breakinge glasse wyndowes on Easter daye last in the night." G. D. R., . . . ., 44 Eliz.

14 APRIL, 44 ELIZABETH.—Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken within Newgate Gaol on view of the body of Richard Tiler

late of London yoman, there lying dead : With Verdict that, on the 13th inst., the said Richard died in the gaol by Divine Visitation of "a pyninge sicknes," after thirteen days of illness. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

15 APRIL, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish of St. Clement-Danes without the Bars of the New Temple co. Midd. on the said day, Robert Watkinson late of London clerk *alias* Robert Willson late of London clerk, born within this kingdom of England, viz. at Hemingbrough co. York after the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist 1 Eliz., and made and ordained a priest in parts beyond the sea by authority derived from the See of Rome before the last day of March 44 Eliz., in no degree weighing the laws and statutes of this kingdom, nor having respect for the penalty contained in them, was and remained traitorously and as a traitor, in contempt of the crown and dignity of the same Queen, and against the form of the statute for this case published and provided. "Po se cul ca null : h'eat judiciu'."—He put himself 'Guilty,' had no chattels ; let him have judgment. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

7 MAY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before John Grange esq. J.P., of Edward Knighte yeoman and John Wolly gentleman, both of Golding Lane co. Midd., in the sum of ten pounds each ; For the appearance of Katherine Wolly, wife of the said John Wolly, at the next General Session of the Peace and in the mean time for her peaceful behaviour. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 44 Eliz.

8 MAY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Tobias Woode esq. J.P., of Libeus Perkins *alias* Lee of Whitechappell horseguelder, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said Libeus Perkins's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, then and there to answer unto such matters as may be objected against him. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

14 MAY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Henry Thoresby esq. J.P., of Edmund Petty of Whitechappell co. Midd. tincker, in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said Edmund's appearance at the next Session of the Peace, because he "keepeth companie with one Christian Owen beinge another man's wiefe."

22 MAY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, on the highway at Howneslowe co. Midd. on the said day, Francis Kember late of London gentleman assaulted William Peverell, and with a certain instrument called a pistol, which he the said Francis with his right hand pointed at the said William's breast, put the said William in great fear and terror. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

22 MAY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Ambrose Copinger esq. J.P., of William Peverell the Queen's servant in the

office called "The Waxe Chandrie," in the sum of twenty pounds ; For the said William Peverell's appearance at the next Session of the Peace in Middlesex, to give evidence against Francis Kember gentleman, now in Newgate Gaol. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

25 MAY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Mile-end in Stepney co. Midd. between eleven and twelve in the night of the said day, Roger Some late of London gentleman assaulted Rowland Pottell, and with "a pistoll" charged with gunpowder and "dropshott" murdered the same Rowland Pottell, by discharging the said pistol at him, so as to give him a wound in the high part of his left thigh, of which wound he then and there in the said highway died instantly ; And That Thomas White late of London haberdasher, and William Gerlinge late of London yoman (servant of George Hill of London vintener) were then and there present, abetting strengthening and aiding the same Roger Some to perpetrate the said murder. On his arraignment, putting himself 'Guilty' of manslaughter, but 'Not Guilty' of murder, Roger Some pleaded his clergy, read like a clerk, was branded with the letter T, and delivered according to the Statute. In like manner, Thomas White and William Gerling pleaded their clergy, and after being branded with the letter T were delivered. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

29 MAY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Lincolnes Inne co. Midd. in the night of the said day, William Pleasington *alias* Pleasante *alias* Cutler late of London yoman, William Howe late of Redcrosse-streete co. Midd. gentleman, John Moore late of London gentleman, and James Rawlinson late of London gentleman, broke burglariously into the chamber of Robert Gawsell gentleman and Thomas Bedingfield esq., and stole therefrom a clothe gowne worth three pounds, a satten dublett worth twenty-three shillings, a silk dublett worth twenty-three shillings, a pair of black velvett breeches worth twenty-nine shillings, and a pair of linen sheets worth ten shillings, of the goods and chattels of the said Robert Gawsell, and a rapior worth thirteen shillings and sixpence, and a black hatt worth four shillings, of the goods and chattels of Francis Parlett gentleman. All four burglars were at large. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

4 JUNE, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in the highway at Stanwell co. Midd. on the said day, William Gibson, late of London clothworker, assaulted one Simon Jackson, when he was in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a dagger murdered him, by giving him in the left side of his breast with the same weapon a mortal wound, of which he then and there in the said highway died instantly. On his arraignment, putting himself 'Guilty' of manslaughter, but 'Not Guilty' of murder, William Gibson pleaded his clergy, whereupon the book was



given to him. But as he could not read like a clerk, he was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

6 JUNE, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day, Morgan James late of London yoman stole a "copper kettle" worth eighteen shillings, of the goods and chattels of Margery Gardener. Putting himself 'Guilty' and asking for the book, Morgan Jones read like a clerk, was marked with the letter T, and was delivered according to the form of the Statute. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

13 JUNE, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Johns-streete co. Midd. on the said day, Elizabeth Maccoe late of London spinster broke into the dwelling-house of William Fittz Williams esq., and stole therefrom a pepper-coloured woollen-cloth cloak worth six shillings, and a violet-coloured woollen-cloth cloak worth six shillings, of the goods and chattels of Roger Prichard. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Elizabeth pleaded pregnancy; but, on being found 'Not Pregnant' by a jury of matrons, she was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

23 JUNE, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Ratcliffe co. Midd. on the said day, Agnes Abrahall, wife of William Abrahall of the said parish marriner, assaulted Anne Muffett, and with her teeth bit Anne Muffett severely so as to wound the right-hand thumb. G. D. R., 25 June, 44 Eliz.

28 JUNE, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizance, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of George Padge of St. Sepulchre's parish, London, yoman, in the sum of ten pounds; For the appearance of George Bayly and his wife Mary Bayly at the next Session of the Peace, the said George and Mary Bayly being "suspected of recusancie." G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

29 JUNE, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Woxbridge co. Midd. on the said day, John Clarke late of London yoman, in the presence and hearing of divers persons, said to one Richard Ogborne, constable of the said parish, these scandalous and seditious words, to the Queen's defamation, to wit, "Why dorst thou tell me of the Queene? A turde for the Queene." At the head of the bill, this memorandum,—“Rep<sup>d</sup>. to be continued vpon good baile, by M<sup>r</sup>. Attorney Generall.” G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

4 JULY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Clarkenwell co. Midd. on the said day, James Doggett late of London yoman, in the presence and hearing of divers persons, said to one Robert Dyer these scandalous words to the Queen's defamation, to wit, "A pox and a vengeance of all those whatsoever that made this statute for the poore and punishment of Rogues and a pox of all those that would followe

her Majestie any more." At the foot of the bill, this memorandum, "f'ng'r' respectuatur p' Cur' =Trespas; it is deferred by the Court.' G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

5 JULY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Bednolgrene in the parish of Stepney co. Midd. on the said day, Gilbert Mason late of Bednolgrene aforesaid laborer assaulted John Vanderley, and with a cowle-staffe gave him on the right side of his head a mortal blow, of which he died at Bednolgrene on the following day. On his arraignment, Gilbert Mason put himself 'Guilty' of defending himself, but 'Not Guilty' of manslaughter. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

5 JULY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before William Harrison esq. J.P., of William Dugdale of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields tipler, and Ralph Shard of the same parish yoman, in the sum of ten pounds each; For William Dugdale's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace for co. Midd., and in the mean time for his peaceful behaviour. G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 44 Eliz.

14 JULY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Nicholas Collyn esq. J.P., of Robert Creswell of Clifford's Inne gentleman and Garnishe Topffield of Frisenfeld co. Suffolk gentleman, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the appearance of Martha Bell at the next Session of the Peace, she being "suspected for a whore." G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

24 JULY, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields co. Midd. on the said day, Thomas Slipper, late of . . . yoman, broke into the dwelling-house of Sir Thomas Egerton knt., Keeper of the Great Seal, and stole therefrom a silver dish worth four pounds, of the goods and chattels of the said Sir Thomas Egerton knt. "Po se cul ca null sus." G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

25 JULY, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Chidioc Wardoure and William Harrison esqs. J.P., of Phillip Lacon of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields gentleman, in the sum of twenty pounds, John Carter of Lambeth Marsh co. Surrey yeoman, and Richard Quarington of Edgeworth co. Midd. whelewright, in the sum of ten pounds each; For the appearance of Anne, wife of the said Phillip Lacon, at the next General Session of the Peace, she having been "taken at Hamersmith wearing of man's apparel and for the same committed to the Gaole of Newgate." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 44 Eliz.

7 AUGUST, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Westminster co. Midd. on the said day, Edward Cole of Westminster co. Midd. butcher with a sword struck and wounded William Elliott, so that his life was despaired. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

— AUGUST, 44 ELIZABETH. — Coroner's Inquisition-post-mortem, taken at Fulham co. Midd. on view of the body of John Burton, there

lying dead : With Verdict that, on 21st July last past, the said John Burton and a certain Abraham Cannon were drinking together in the highway of . . . in the ward of Cheape in London, when they quarreled and made an affray, in which affray Abraham Cannon gave John Burton in the right part of his back a mortal blow, of which he died on 10th August, then next following. On his arraignment, Abraham Cannon put himself 'Not Guilty' of the felonious slaughter of John Burton and did not retract; and the Jury found that "Johannes Death occidit predictum Johannem Burton,"=that John Death slew the aforesaid John Burton. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

17 AUGUST, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, in a certain place called "a house of office" at Westminster co. Midd. between two and three a.m. of the said day, Joan Bulte late of London spinster, assaulted a female infant to which she had given birth, and murdered the same infant by crushing in its head with her hands and strangling it with a girdle; and that Joan Pyke wife of Thomas Pyke late of Westminster, *alias* Joan Pyke of Westminster spinster, was then and there present, aiding and abetting Joan Bulte to perpetrate the said murder. Putting herself 'Guilty,' Joan Bulte was sentenced to be hung. Joan Pyke put herself 'Not Guilty,' and did not retract. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

19 AUGUST, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Mile-end co. Midd. on the said day, Richard Ellficke late of London yoman stole a parcel-gilt silver bason worth twenty pounds, a parcel-gilt silver ewer worth six pounds, a parcel-gilt silver "salte" worth ten pounds, a parcel-gilt silver "standing cuppe" worth six pounds, "a great gilte bowle" worth six pounds, ten silver-gilt spoones worth five pounds and six shillings, "a jewell of golde" worth six pounds, a gold ring called "a hooped ringe" worth twenty shillings, "a silver box" worth five shillings, "novem alias parcellas argenti vocat' parcells of plate" and three covers of silver worth forty pounds, and fifty-seven pounds and seven shillings in numbered money, and nine pounds and sixteen shillings of coined gold, in a purse of clothe of silver worth three pounds, of the goods, chattels and moneys of Thomas Twiste esq., sergeant-at-arms of the Lady the Queen. Memorandum 'Respectuatur'=it is deferred. G. D. R., . . . , 44 Eliz.

21 SEPTEMBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Tobias Wood esq. J.P., of Mathewe Whitberde and William Heywarde, both of Whitechappell co. Midd. bricklayers, in the sum of ten pounds each, and of John Newman of the same parish "Picture-drawer," in the sum of twenty pounds; For the said John Newman's appearance at the next General Session of the Peace, he being thus "bound over for keepinge

and lyving with Anne Roterham as his wiefte for 8 or 9 yeare sand nowe marrying one Fraunces whom he also kepte before he married her." G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 44 Eliz.

21 SEPTEMBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—Recognizances, taken before Tobias Wood esq. J.P., of Mathew Whitberde and William Heywarde, both of Whitechappell bricklayers, in the sum of ten pounds each ; For the appearaunce of Frances Newman, wife of John Newman "picture drawer" at the next General Session of the Peace. At the foot of the bill this not quite intelligible memorandum, "Newman lived with another woman for 8 or 9 yeares as his wiefte duringe parte of which tyme this Fraunces dwelt with them, and knowinge this Newman had the use of her bodie, and after she married with her said master, G. S. P. R., Michaelmas, 44 Eliz.

3 OCTOBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Clarkenwell co. Midd. on the said day, John Kelsicke, late of . . . , assaulted Robert Hall, when he was in God's and the Queen's peace, and with a dagger worth sixpence gave the same Robert in his right thigh a mortal wound, of which he then and there died instantly. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 45 Eliz.

9 OCTOBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the parish "beati Petri Vinculi" (*sic*) near the Tower of London on the said day, Hugh Perry of the said parish cutler assaulted and beat Jocosa Powell spinster with a bromestaffe, and bruised her severely. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 45 Eliz.

29 OCTOBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Saffronhill in St. Andrew's in Holborn on the said day, John Bushrove (*sic*) late of London alien assaulted Richard Hurte, and with a rapior gave the same Richard in the right side a mortal wound, of which he then and there died instantly. Putting himself 'Guilty,' John Bushrove (*sic*) pleaded his clergy, was branded and delivered. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 45 Eliz.

31 OCTOBER, 44 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at the Charterhouse co. Midd. in the night of the said day, John Moore and Thomas Niccolles, both late of London yomen, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of the Most Noble Thomas Lord Hayward, and stole therefrom five pounds in numbered moneys, of the goods, chattels and moneys of the said lord. G. D. R., 1 Dec., 45 Eliz.

4 DECEMBER, 45 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at St. Margaret's Westminster and in a cellar there of the dwelling-house of the Most Noble Henry Earl of Lincoln, on the said day, Richard Blake late of London yoman assaulted Susan Calverlye, "et eandem Susannam adtunc et ibidem felonice et contra voluntatem ejusdem Susanne rapuit defloravit et carnaliter cognovit." Po se cul ca null sus. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 45 Eliz.

31 DECEMBER, 45 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Pickthatch co. Midd. on the said day and throughout the month next preceding the same day, Francis Curatory late of Pickthatch aforesaid and his wife Mary Curatory kept a common brothel, to the scandal and injury of their neighbours and others. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' Francis and Mary were sentenced "to be carted to Pickthatche with basons and papers shewing their offence, to be punished at Bridewell," and to pay a fine of twenty pounds. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 45 Eliz.

2 JANUARY, 45 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Whitechappell co. Midd. on the said day, Jane Dawkes of St. Katherin's co. Midd. spinster, struck beat and wounded Bridgett Becke widow on the head with certain twigs, so that her life was despaired of. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 45 Eliz.

— JANUARY, 45 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that Charles Cornewallis gentleman and James Jackson yoman, both late of London, in a certain field called Woodes Close at Clarkenwell co. Midd. on the said day, assaulted a certain Christofer Wells, when he was in God's and the Queen's peace; and that with malice aforethought Charles Cornewallis murdered the said Christopher by giving him with a sword a mortal wound in the breast, of which wound he then and there died instantly; and that James Jackson was then and there present, aiding and encouraging the Charles Cornewallis to perpetrate the same murder. At the foot of the decayed and mutilated bill, a memorandum that, at the Gaol Delivery of Newgate, made on . . . , 45 Eliz., Charles Cornewallis and James Jackson were found 'Guilty' of this murder, and that each of them was sentenced to be hung. G. D. R., 19 Jan., 45 Eliz.

2 FEBRUARY, 45 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Harefeilde co. Midd. in the night of the said day, Robert Skarres, Thomas Jen . . . , Thomas Bennett and Oliver Browne, all late of London yomen, broke into the dwelling-house of Sir Thomas Egerton knt., Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, and stole therefrom "a pillowe of clothe of silver" worth ten pounds, and "a paire of vallance for a bed" worth ten pounds, of the goods and chattels of the said Lord Keeper of the Great Seal.

4 FEBRUARY, 45 ELIZABETH.—True Bill that, at Hackney co. Midd. on the night of the said day, John Squyer, Thomas Dixon and William Greene, all late of London yomen, broke burglariously into the dwelling-house of John Shelley, and stole therefrom "a lokinge glasse" worth four shillings, a linen napkin worth sixpence, and a handkerchief worth four pence, of the goods and chattels of the same John Shelley. Putting themselves 'Guilty,' all three burglars were sentenced to be hung.



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